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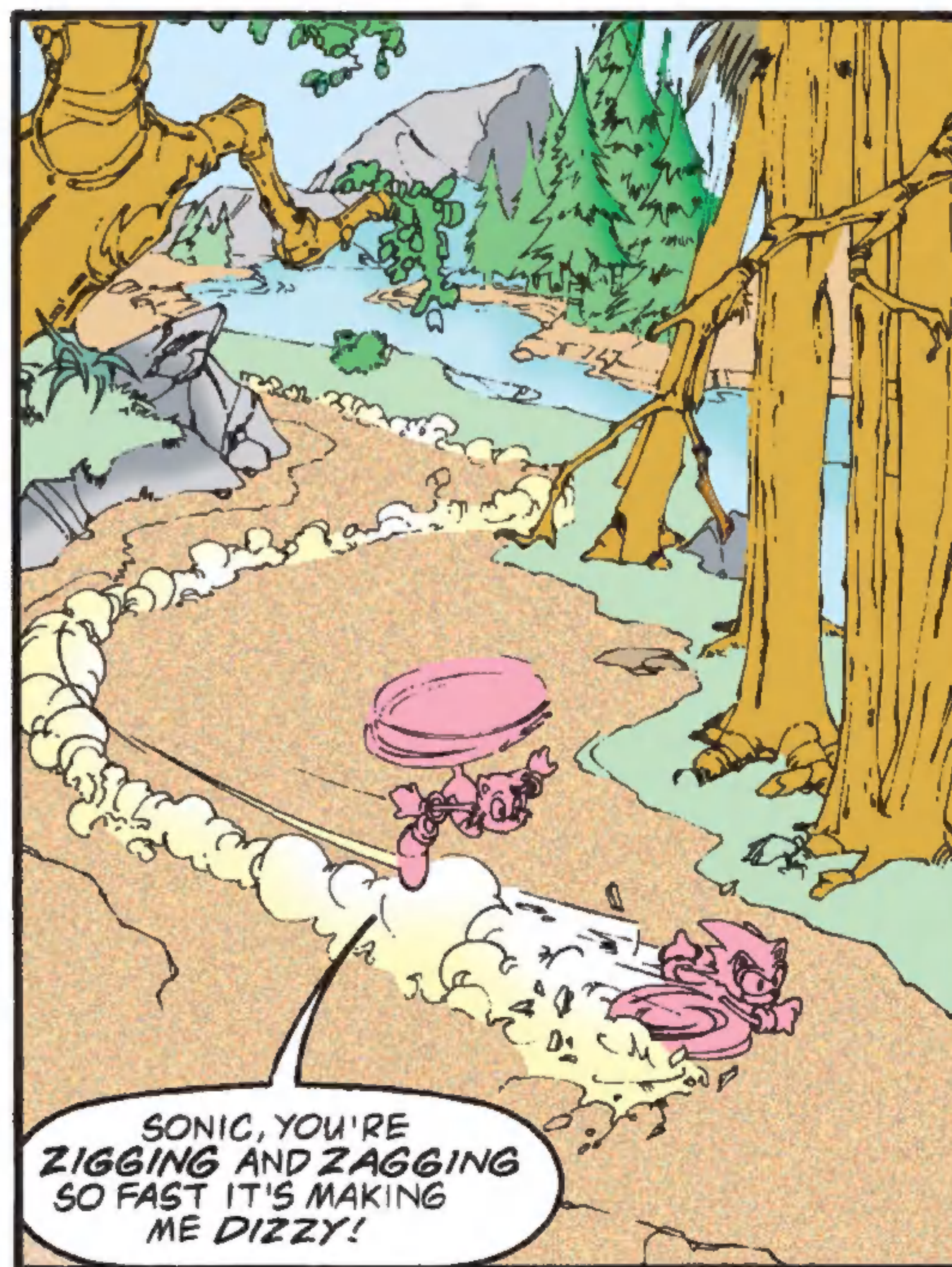
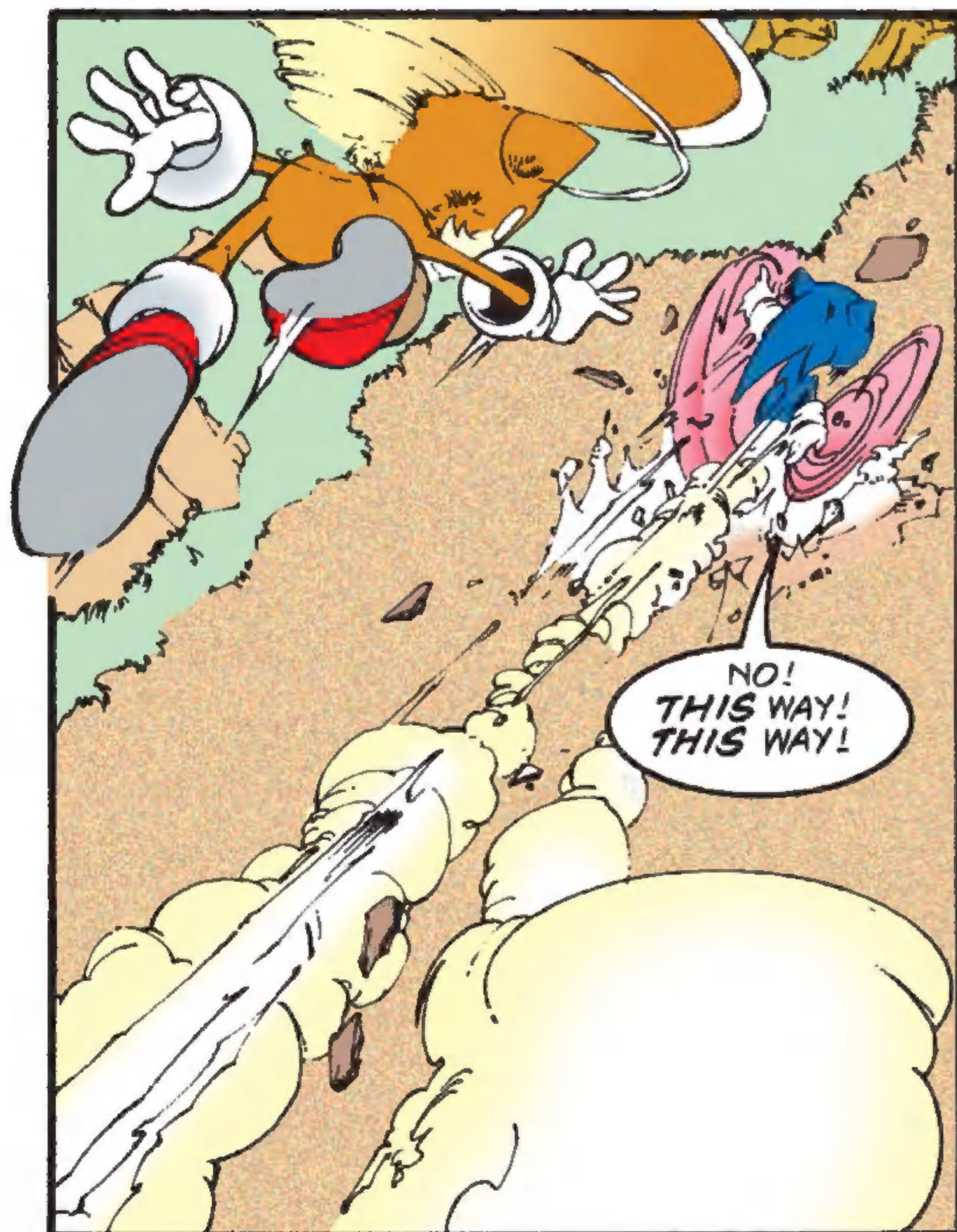
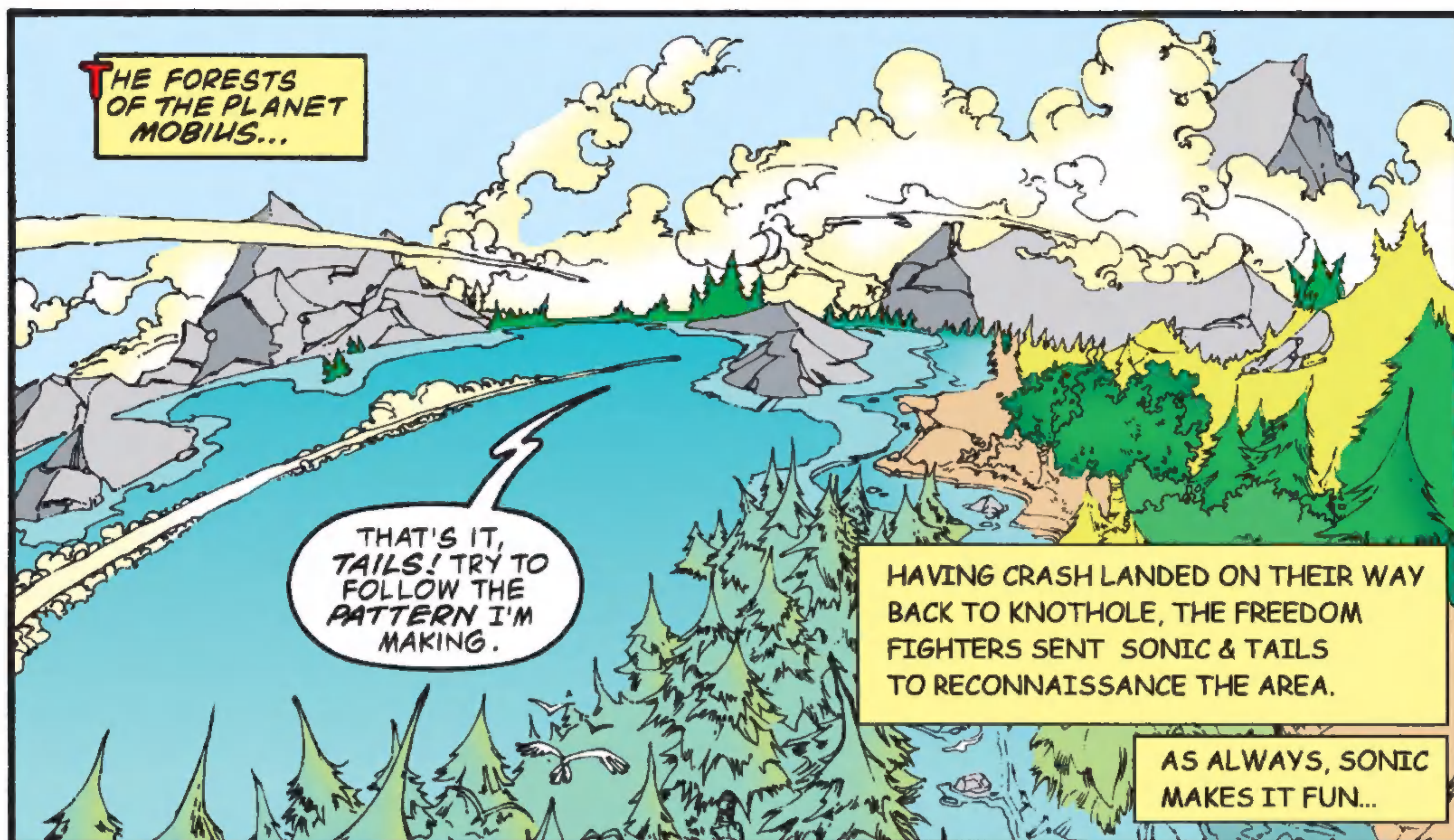
HEY!  
DIDN'T I BEAT YOU  
LAST MONTH!?

NOT EXACTLY!!





After ten long years, the iron-fisted rule of DOCTOR ROBOTNIK over planet MOBIUS was believed to have finally ended! With the technological tyrant vanquished and his polluted factories shut down, order and beauty were restored to the city of MOBOTROPOLIS. Now the villain has returned to wreak havoc once more, but there are many who are willing to stand against him in the fight for freedom. The bravest among them is a brash, blue streak who just happens to be the fastest thing alive! ARCHIE COMICS AND SEGA PRESENT... SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!



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THAT'S IT,  
TAILS! YOU'VE GOT  
IT NOW!

YOU'LL BE ABLE  
TO FOLLOW ANYBODY  
ANYWHERE!

AH, LOOK AT THEM. SO  
CHEERFUL AND OPTIMISTIC.  
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG  
AND HIS SIDEKICK TAILS,  
THE FLYING FOX.

IT'S TOUCHING  
TO SEE THIS DISPLAY  
OF FRIENDSHIP--

SO TOUCHING TO SEE  
THOSE I HATE ENJOYING  
THEMSELVES...

...BECAUSE I KNOW THAT  
I WILL SOON TURN THEIR  
JOY TO TERROR!

**HEART OF THE  
HEDGEHOG**

part 1

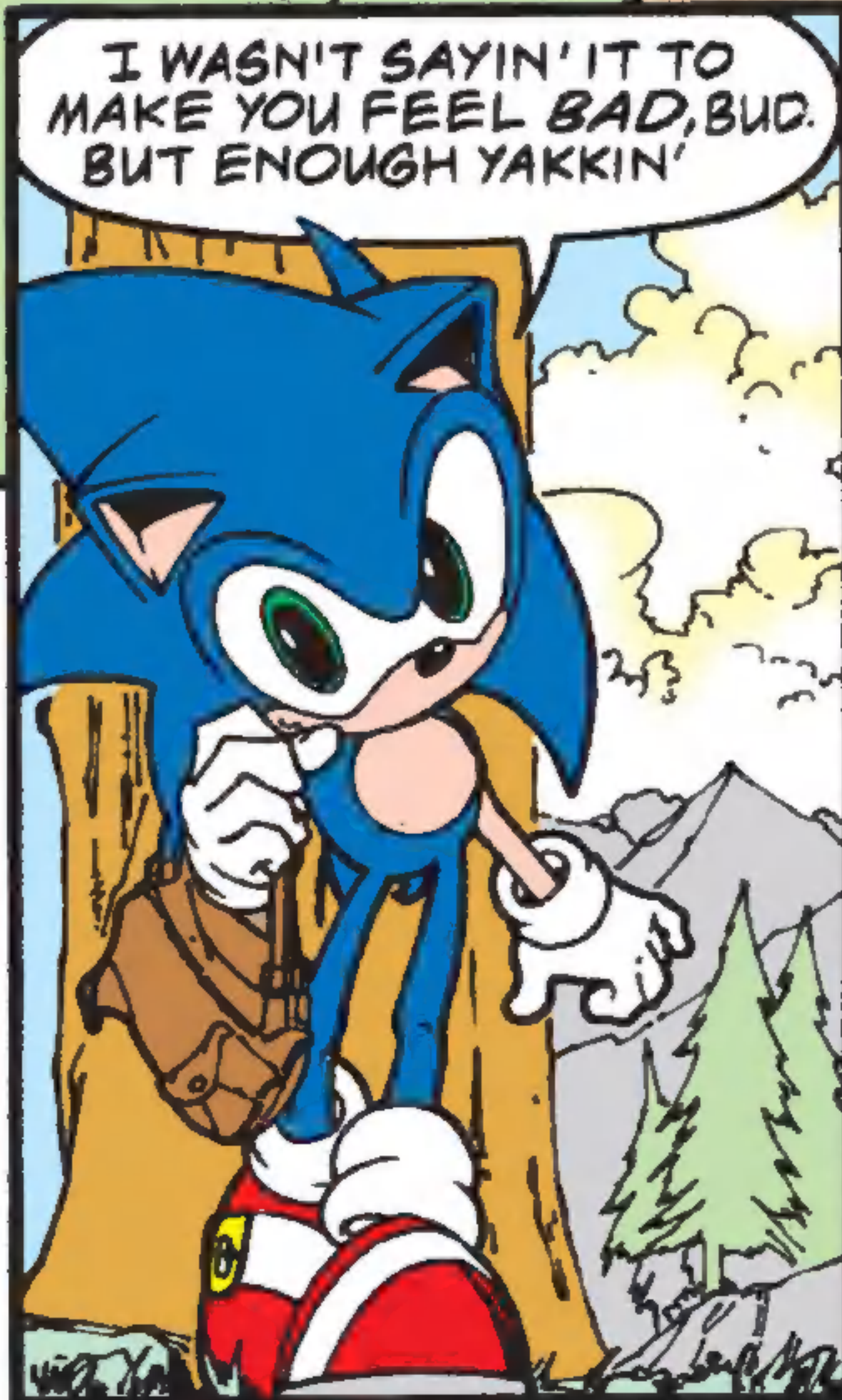
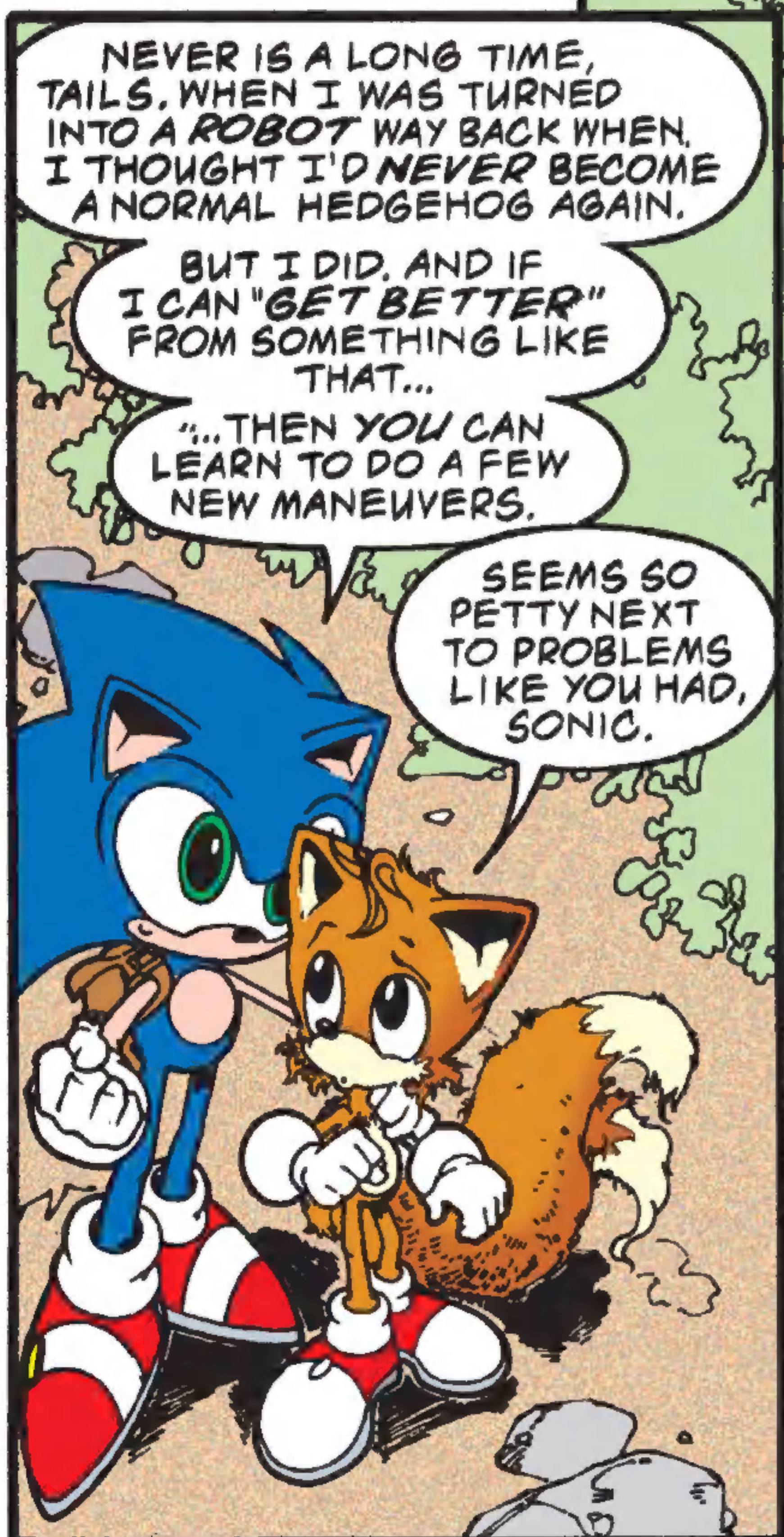
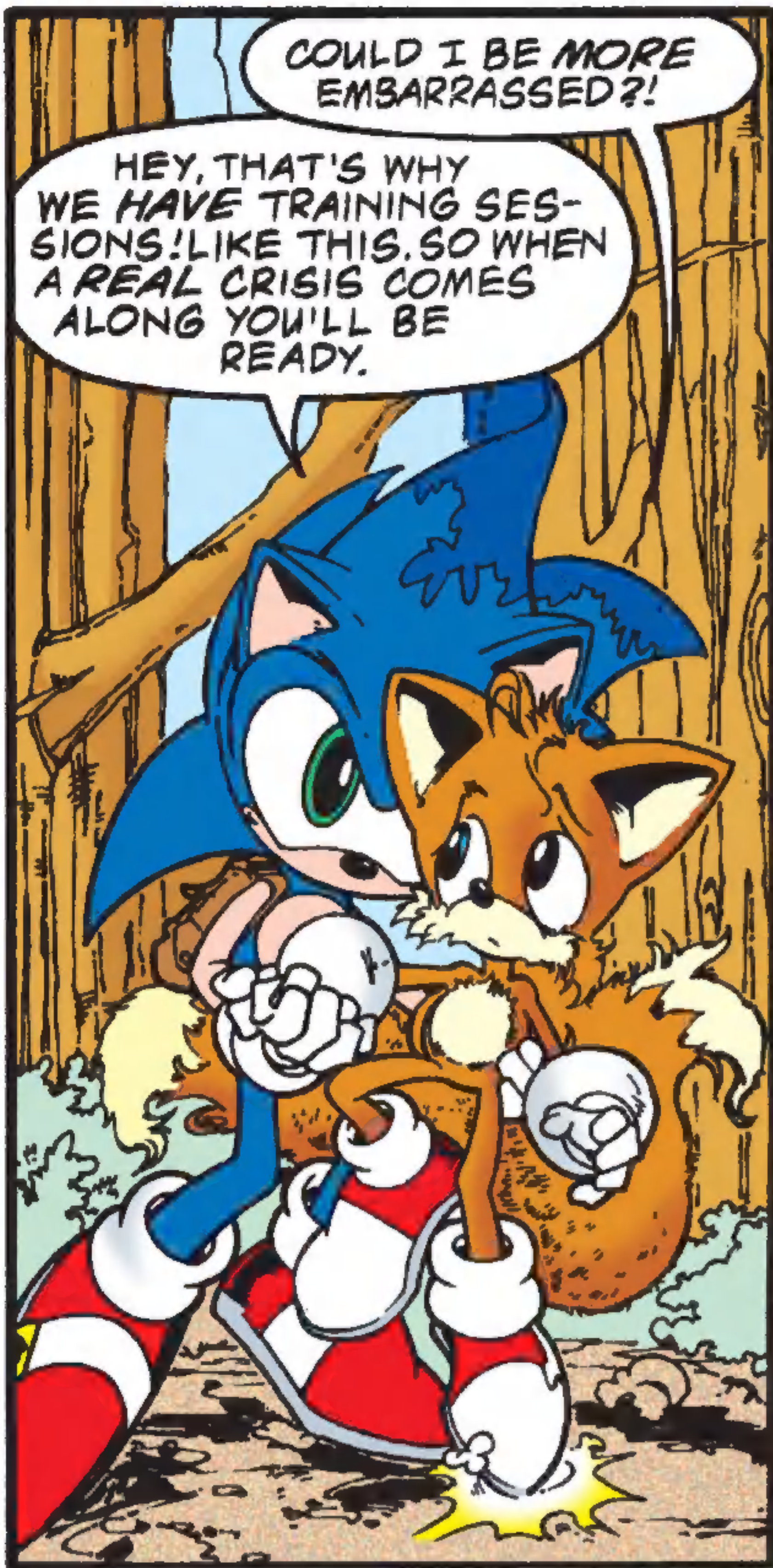
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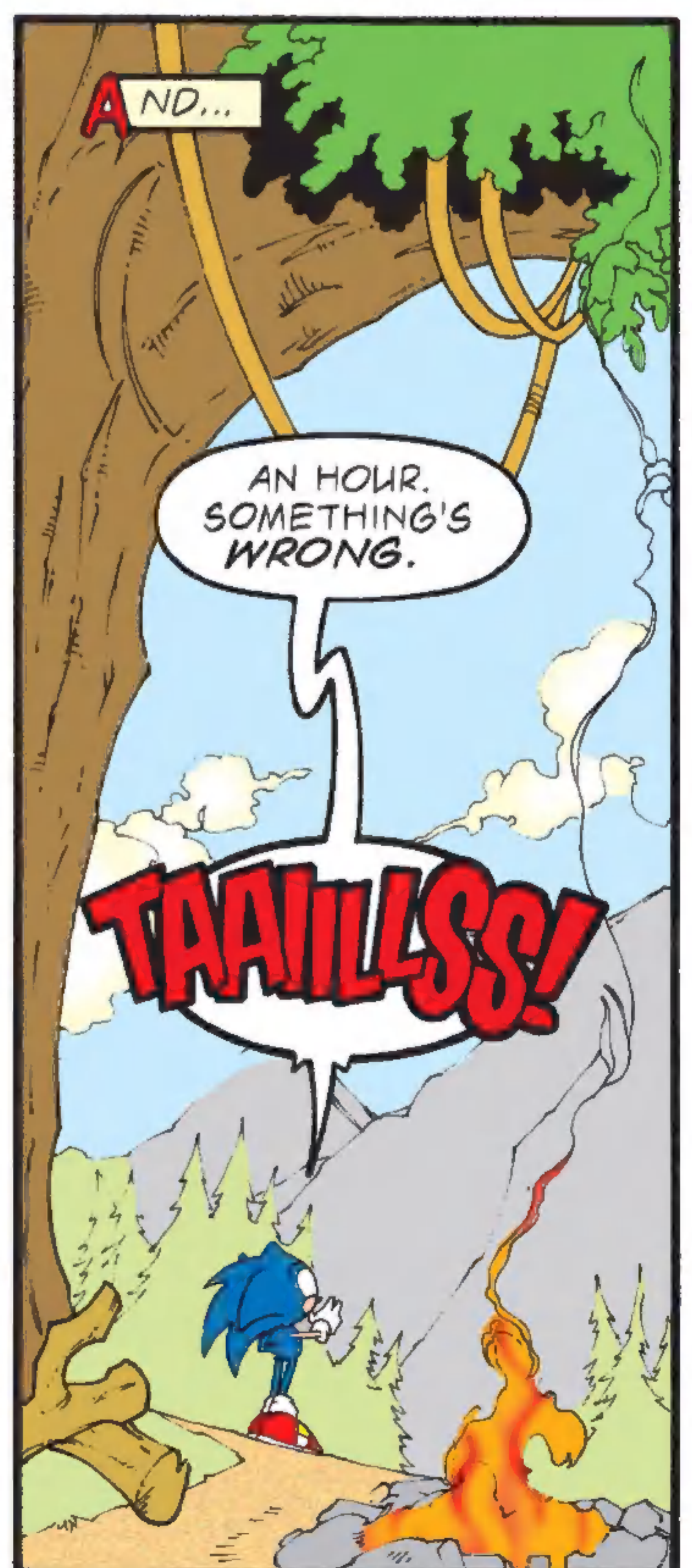
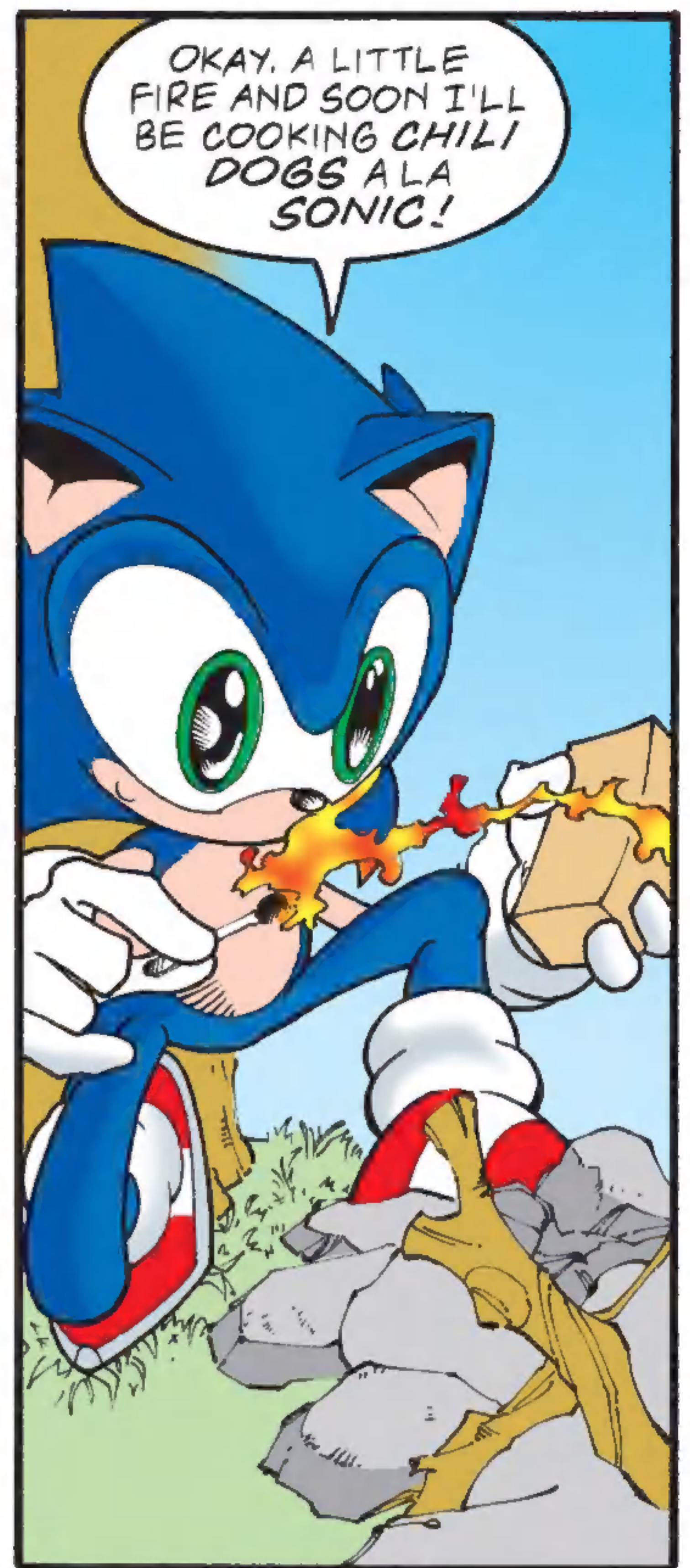




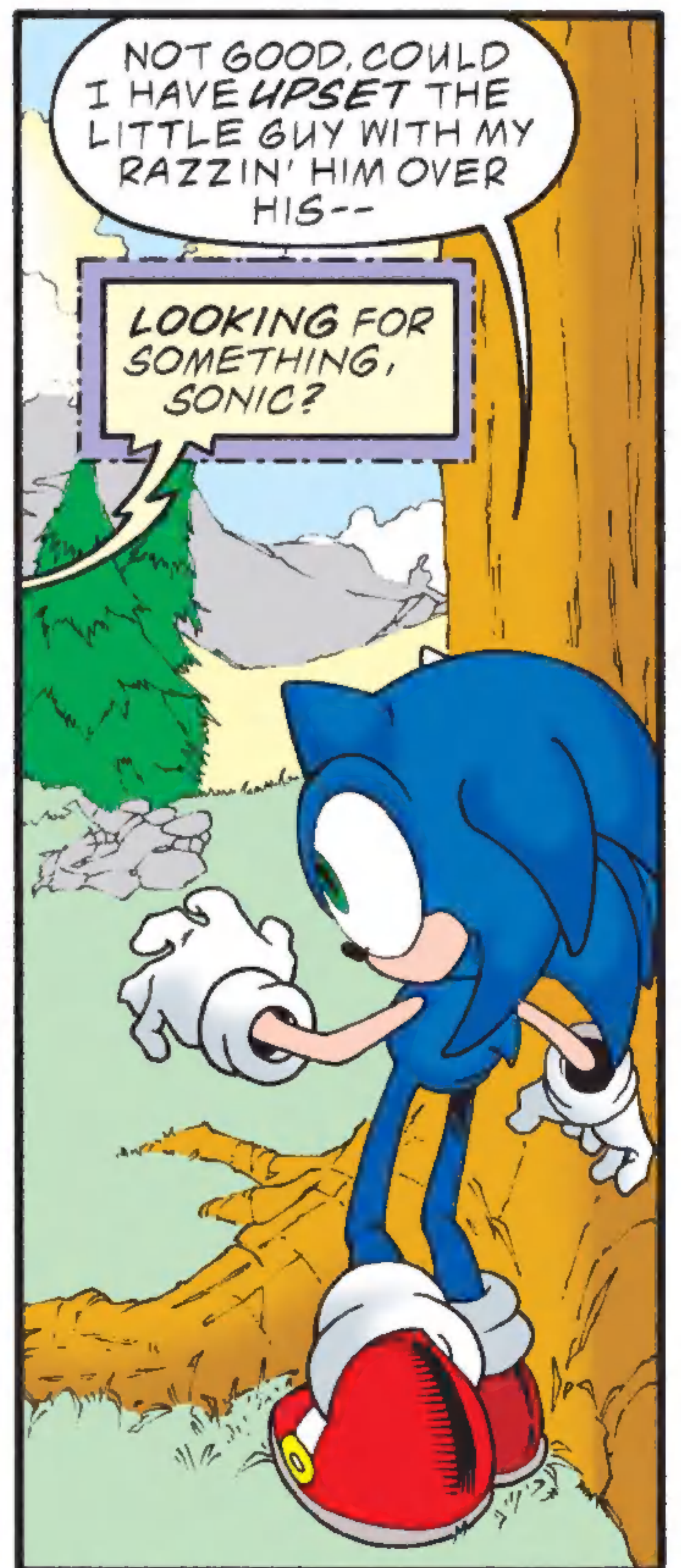
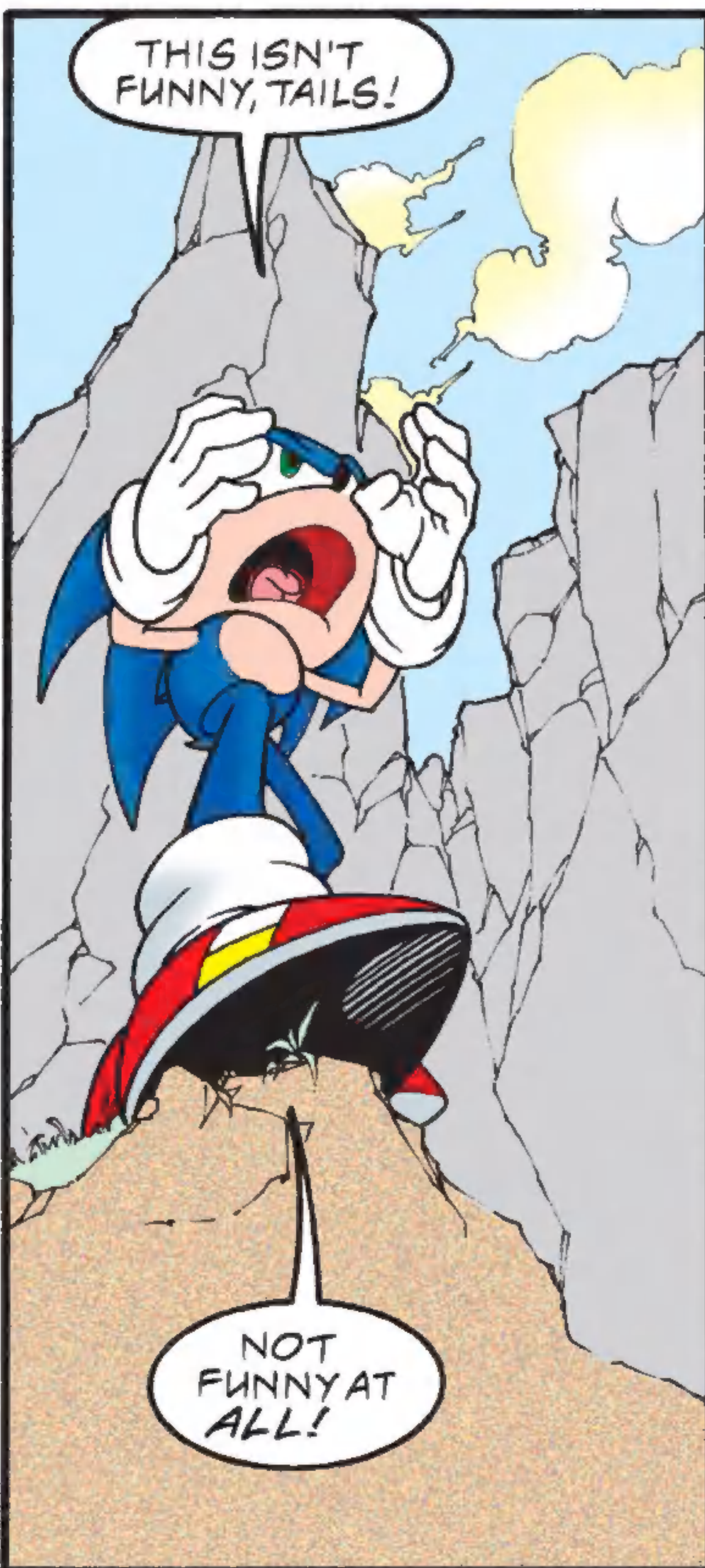
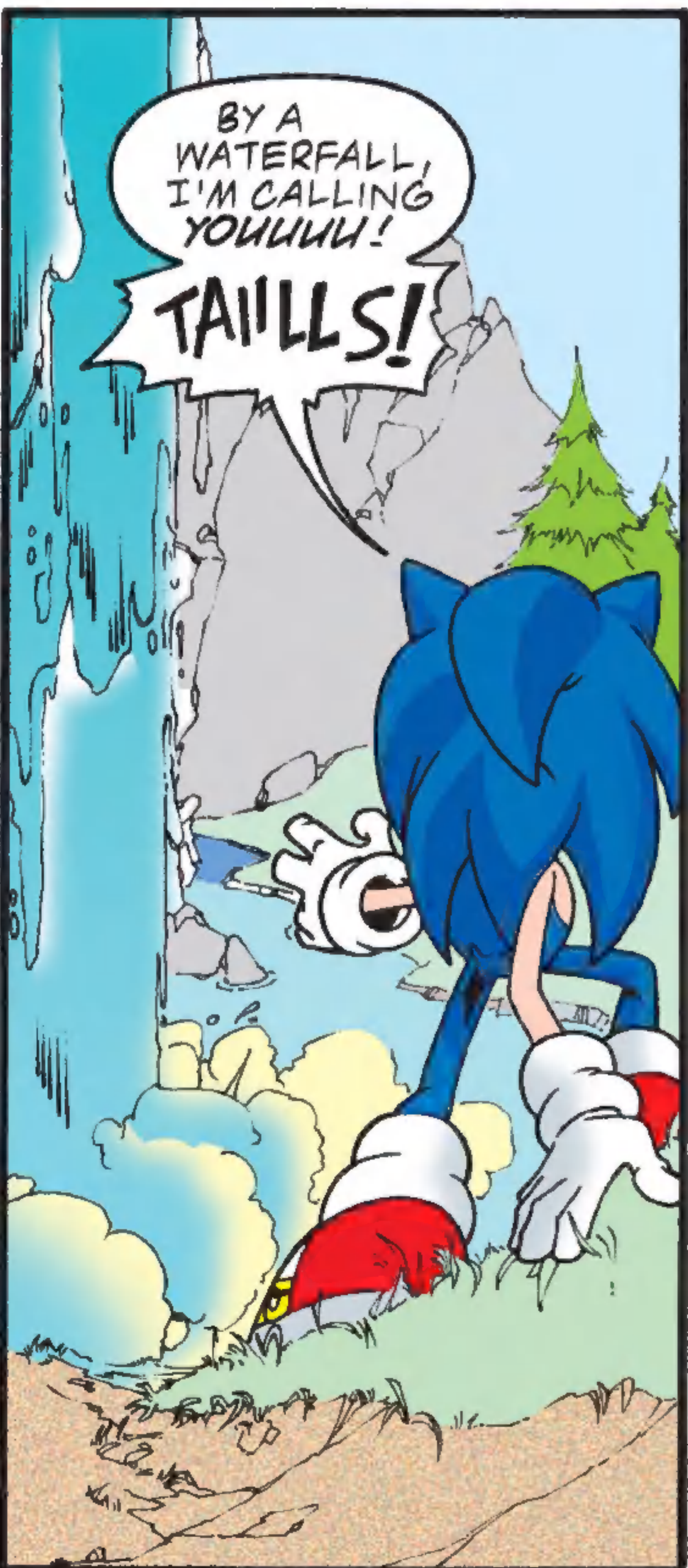




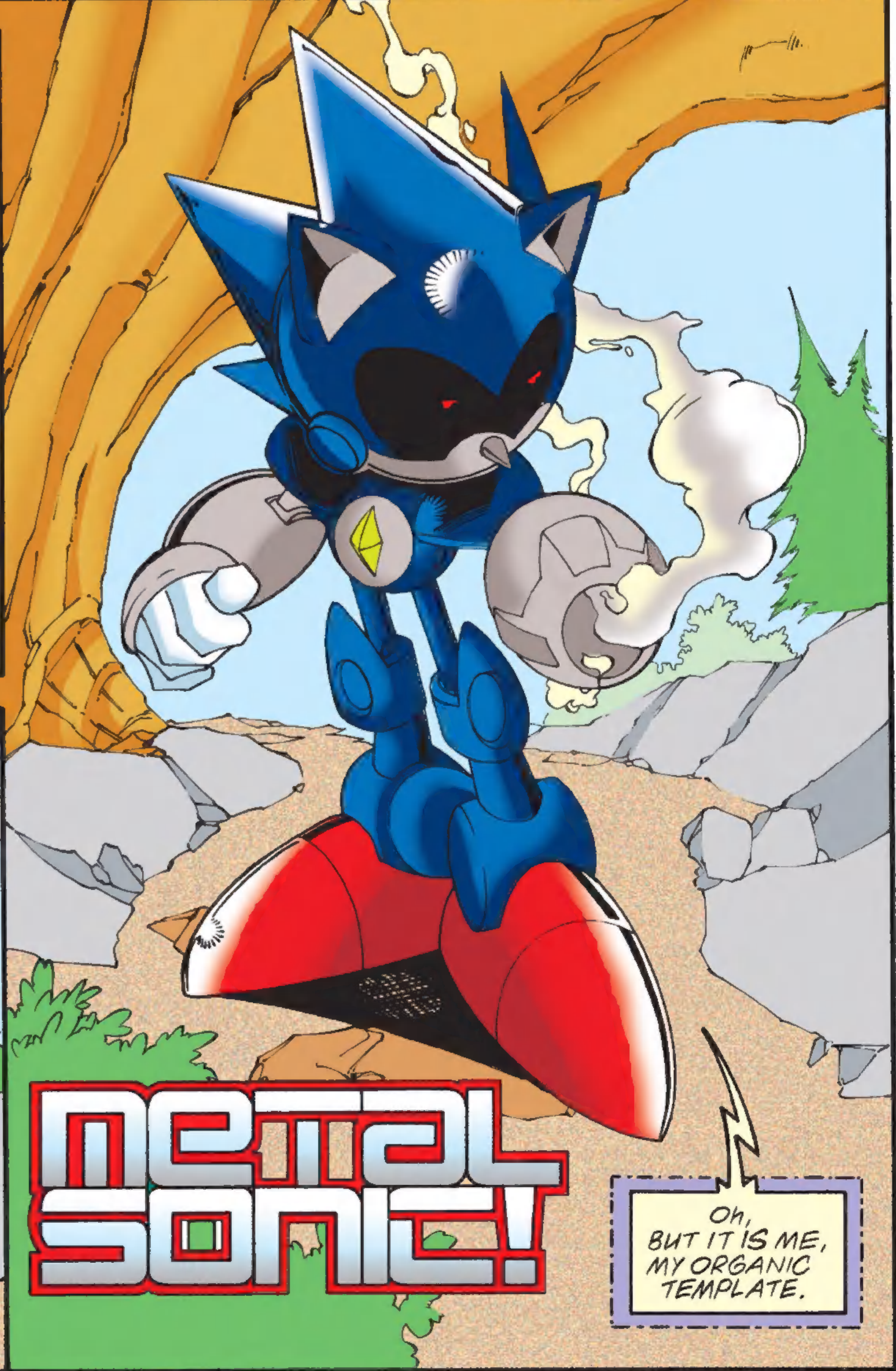
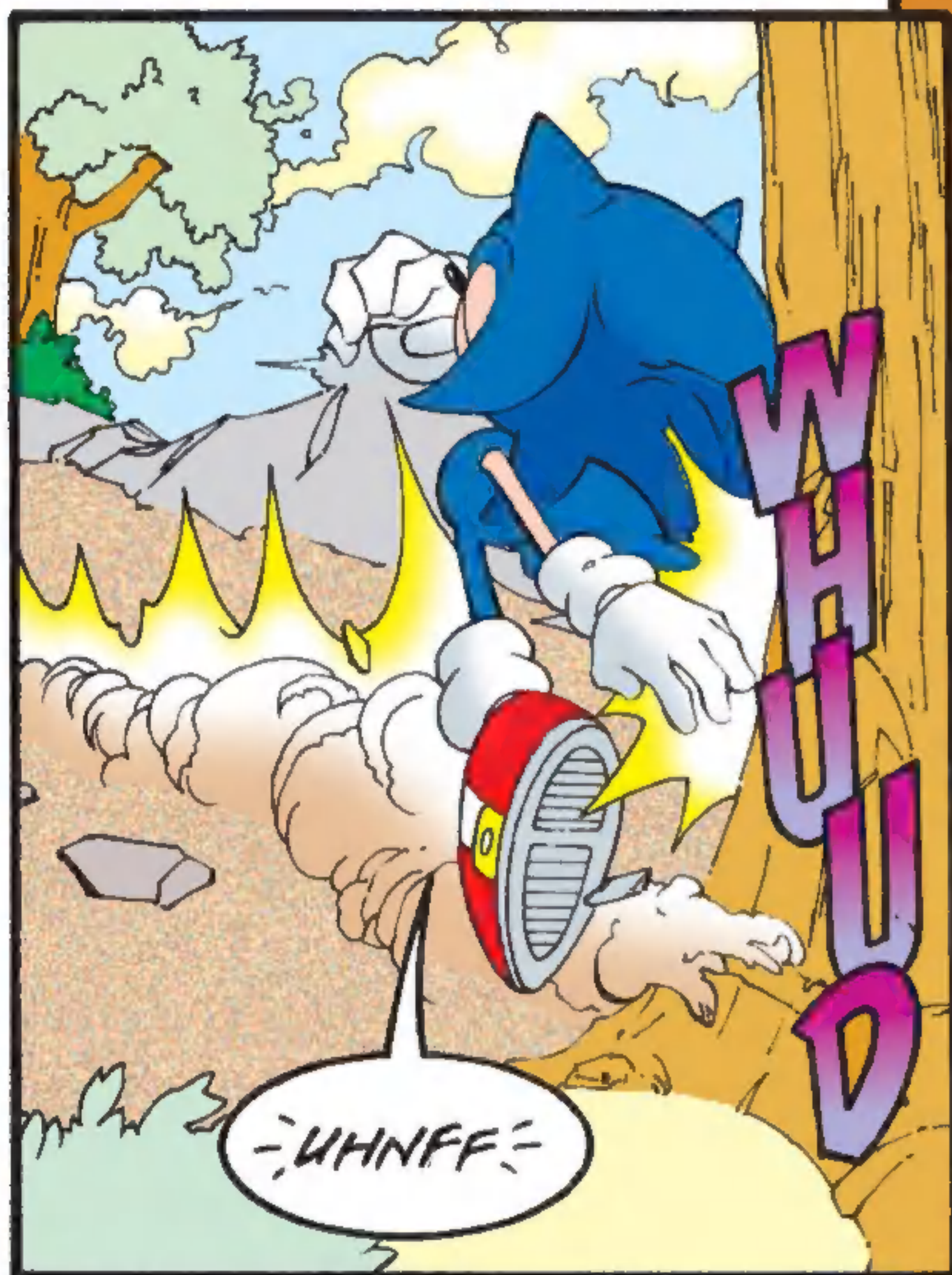
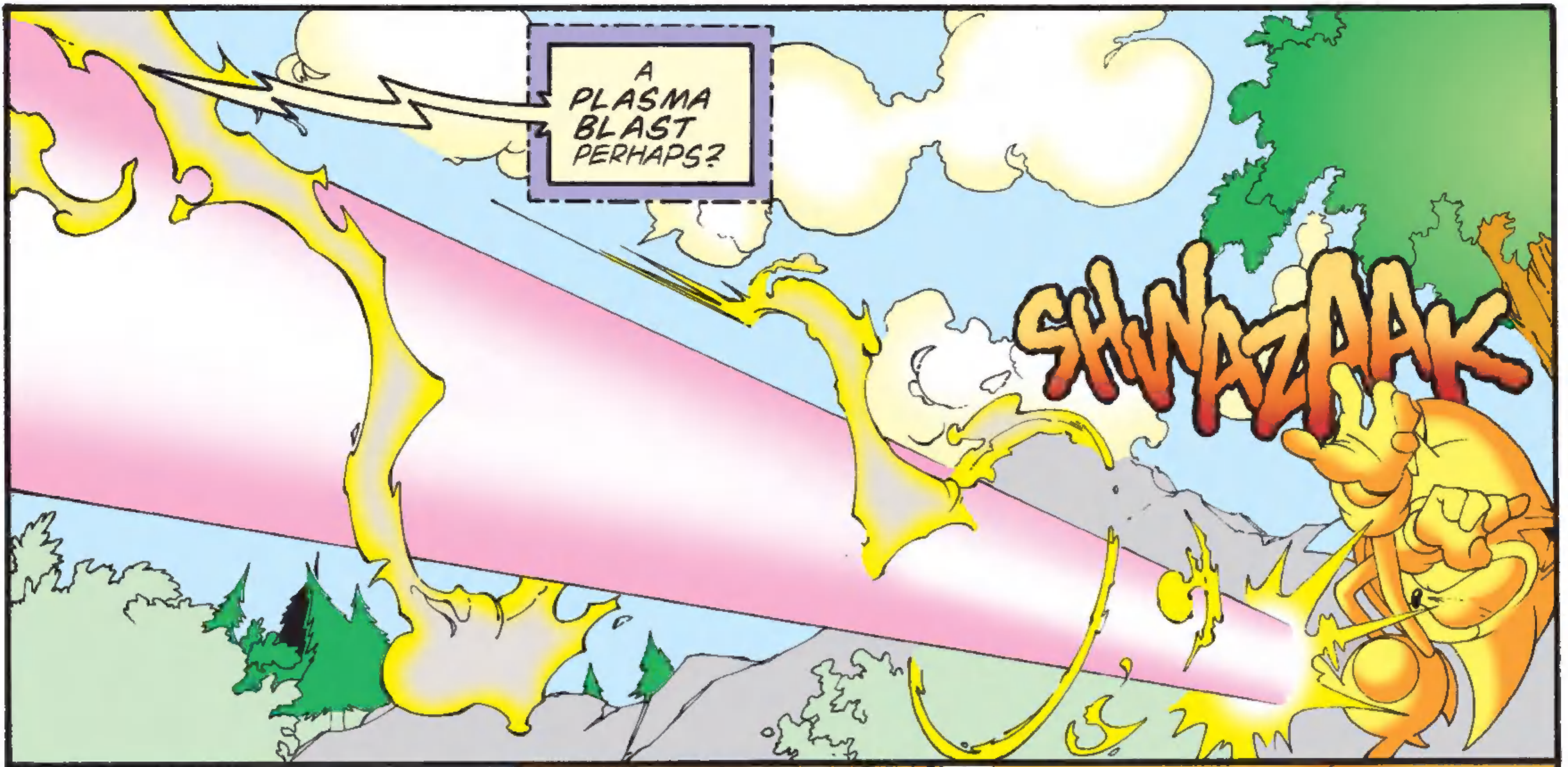




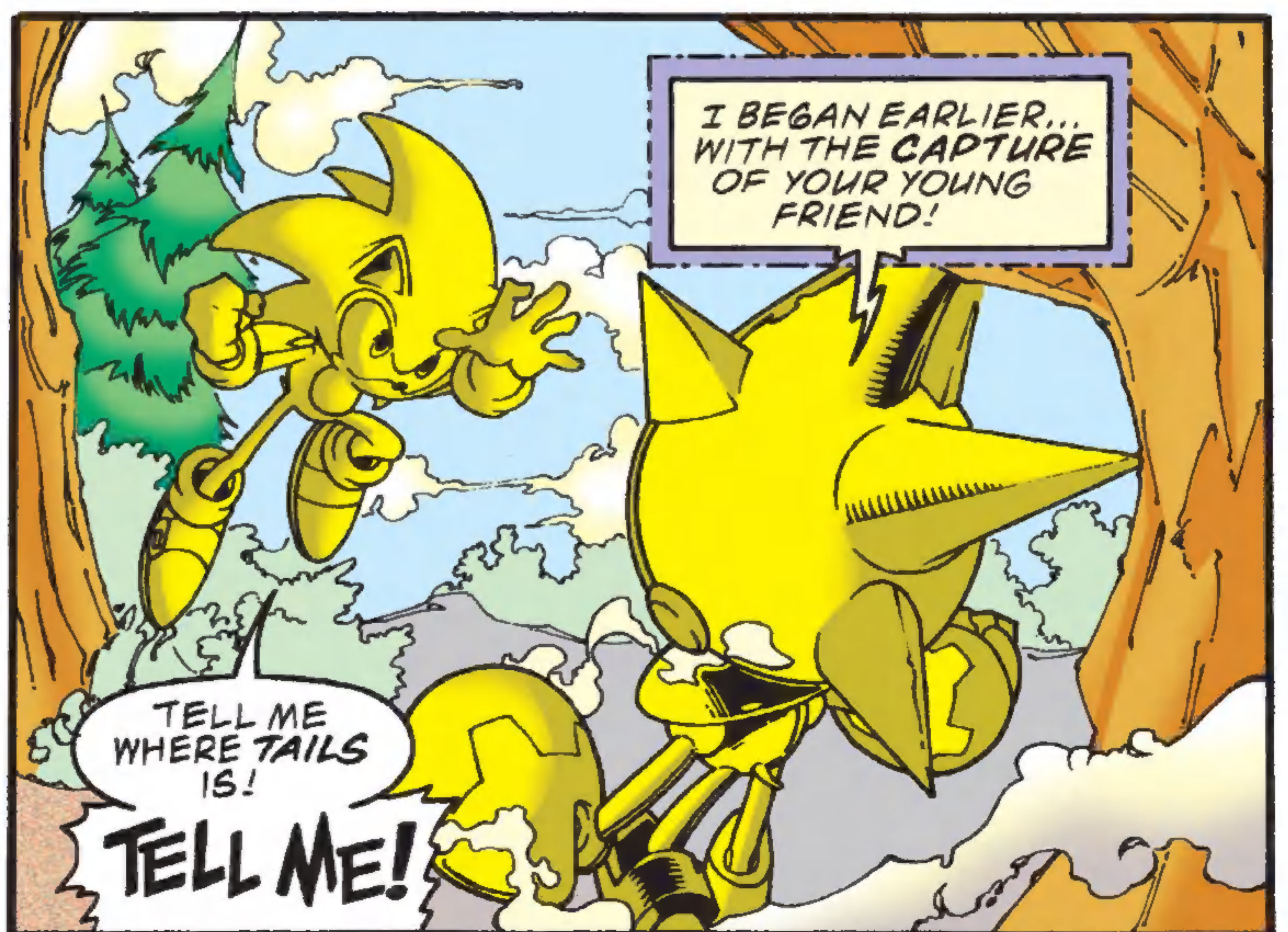
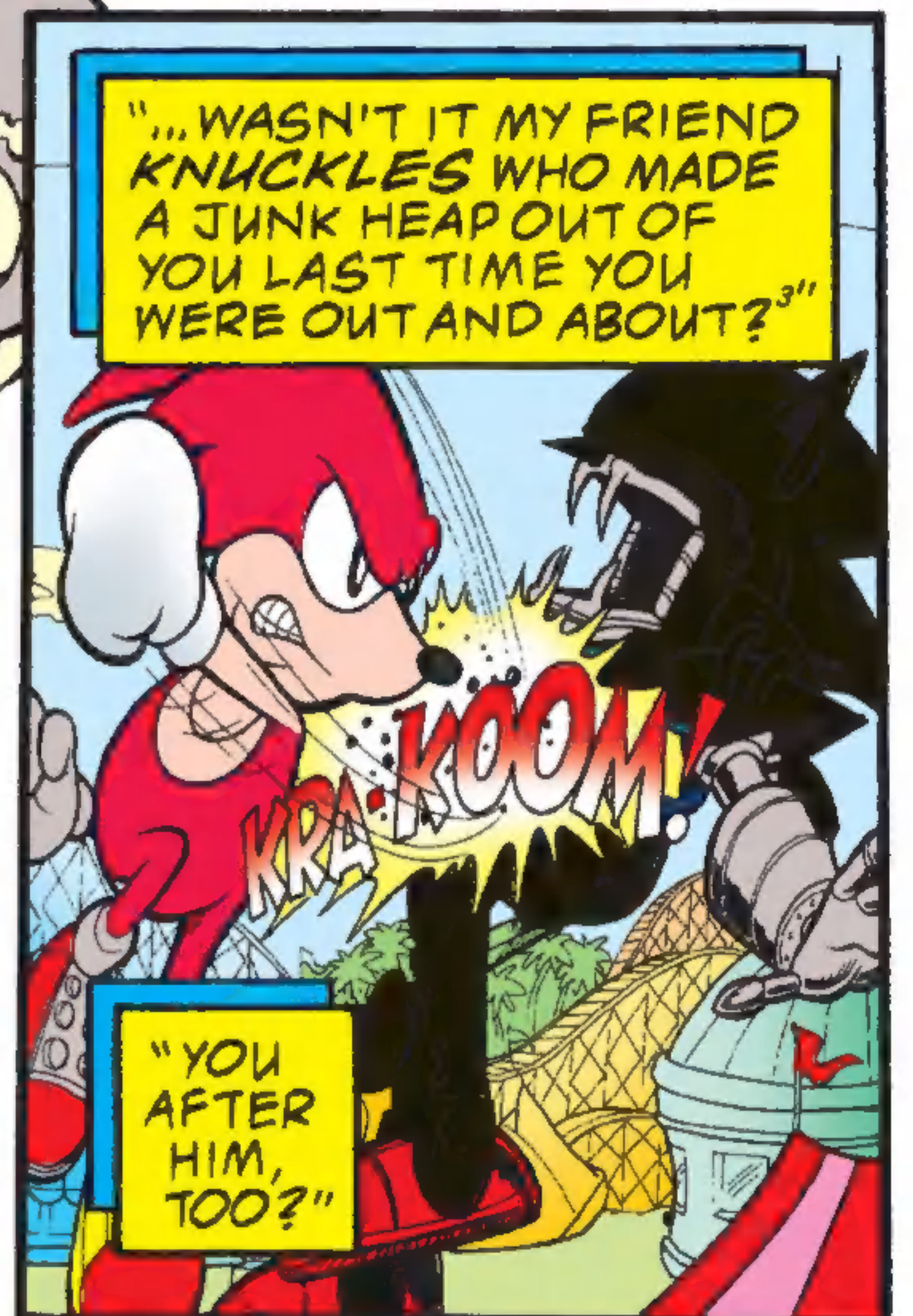
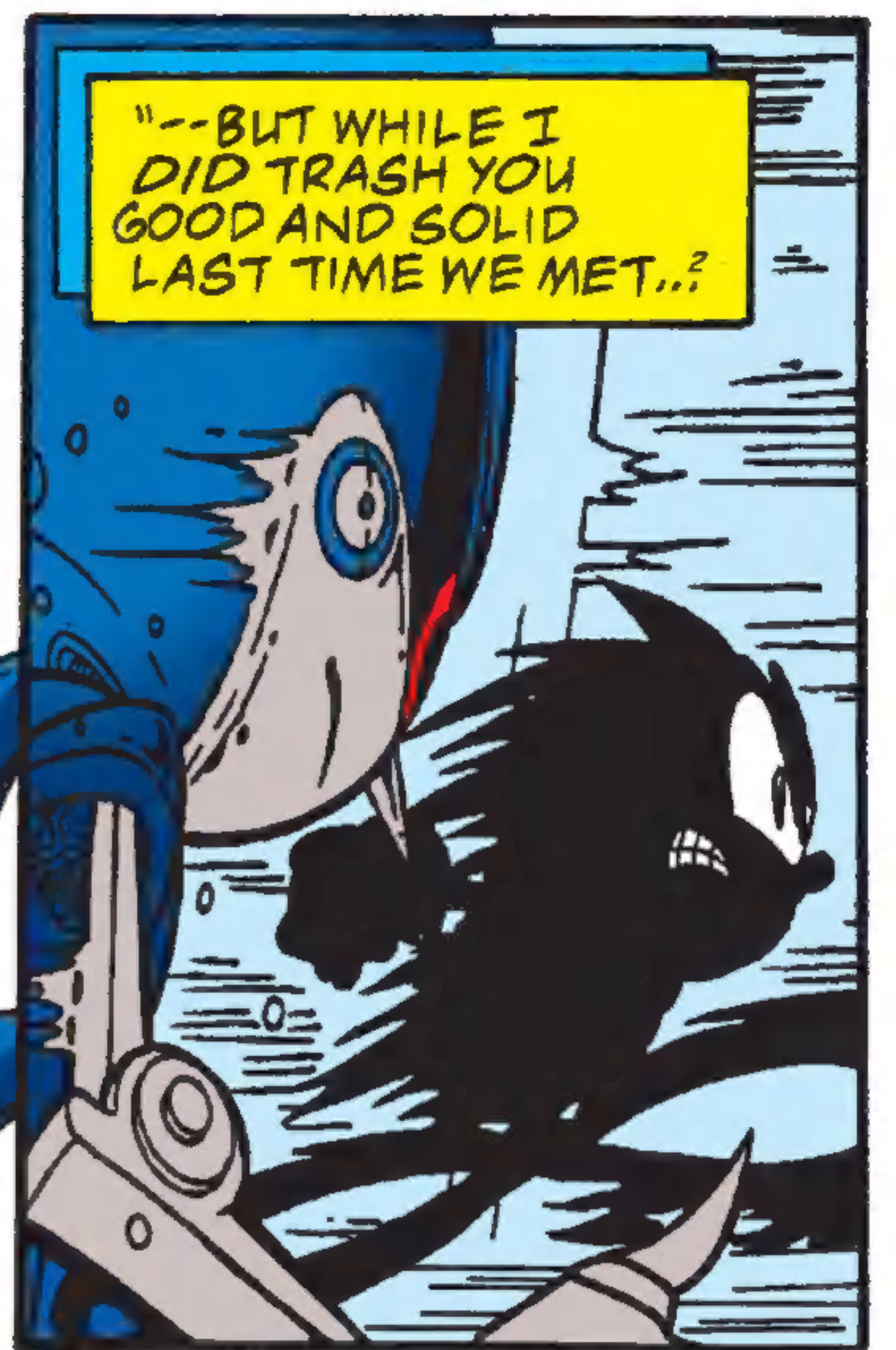
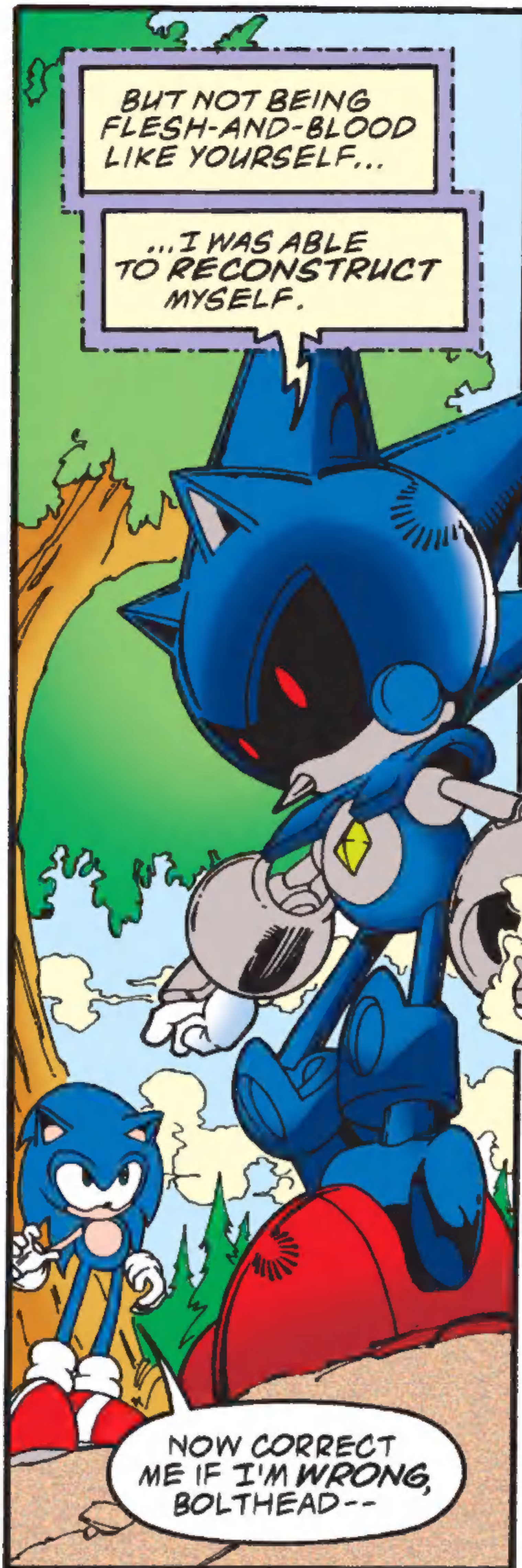
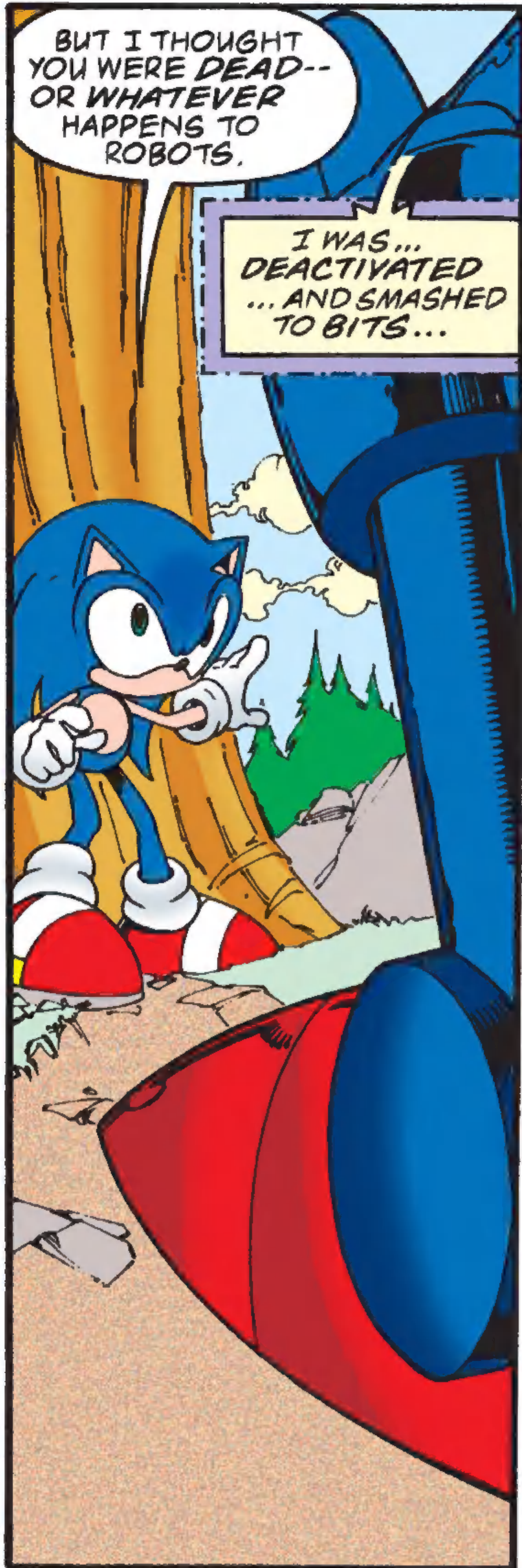




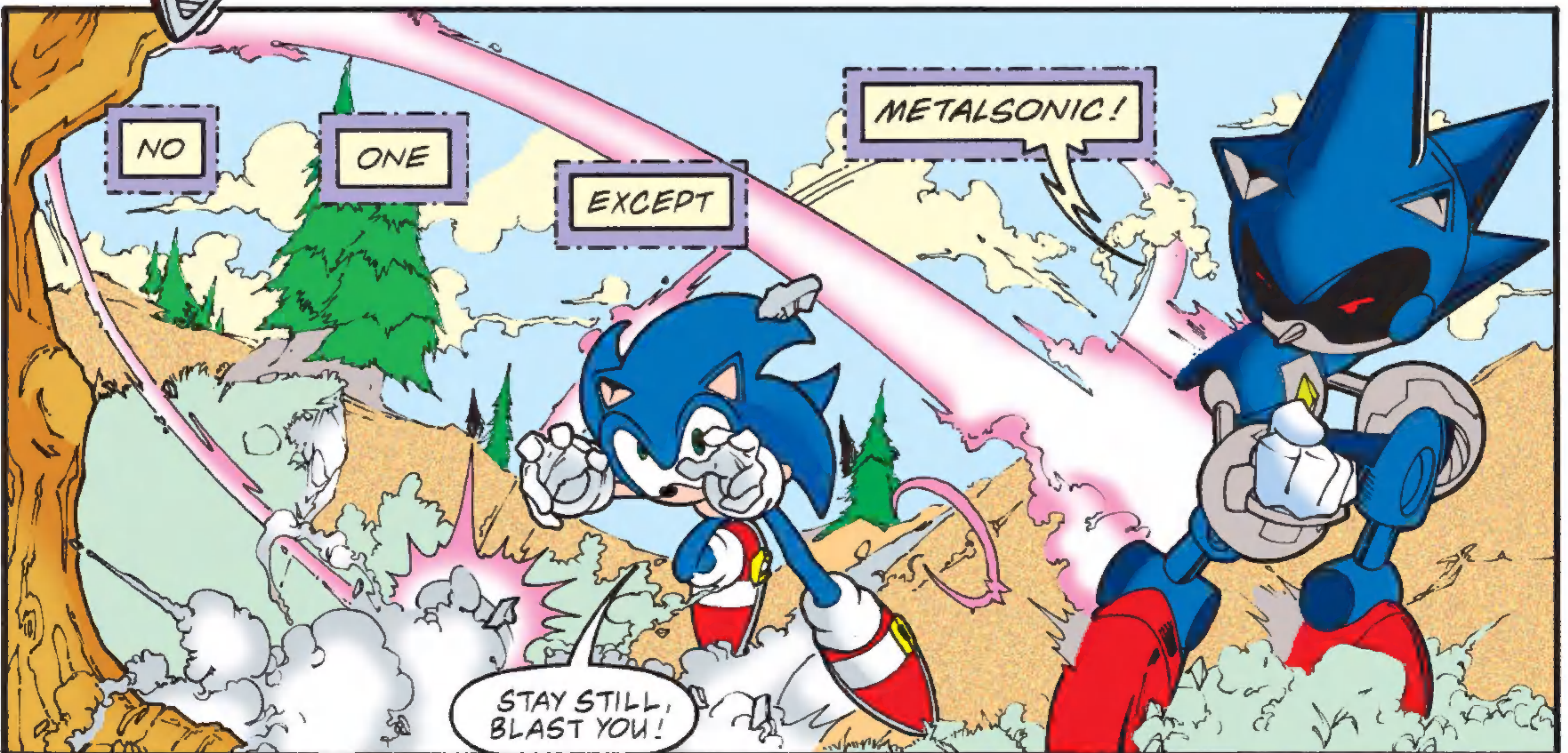
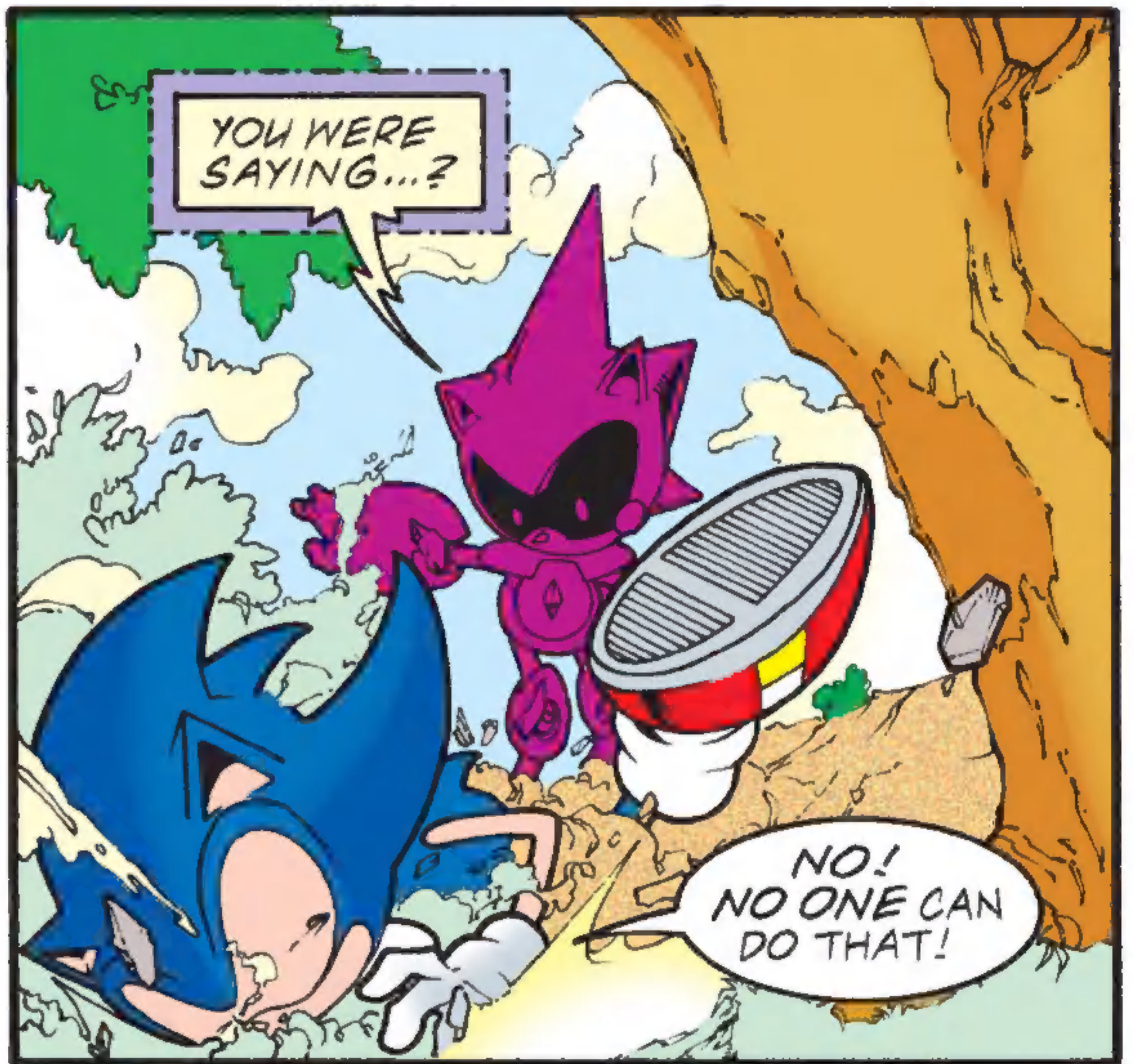
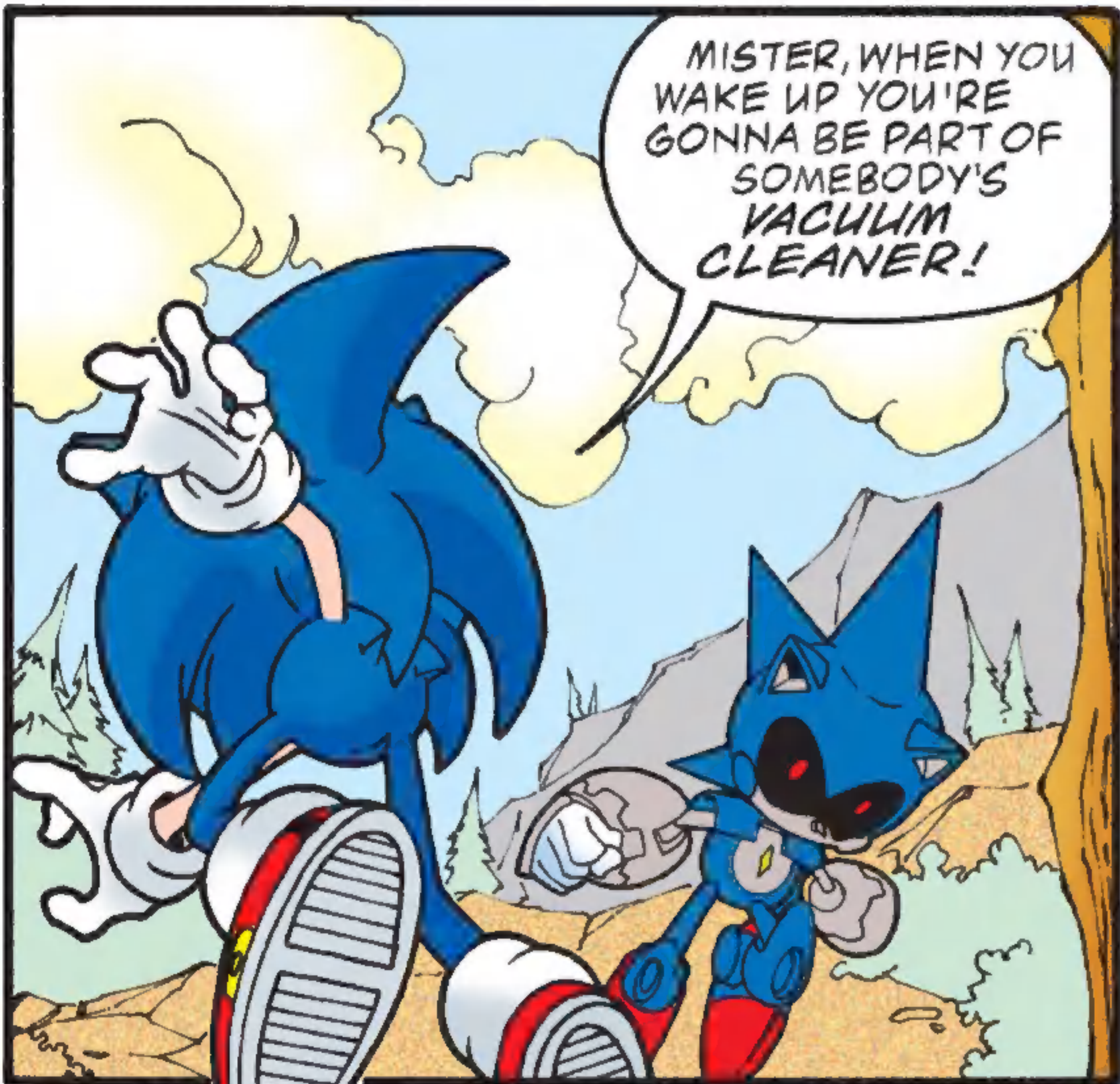
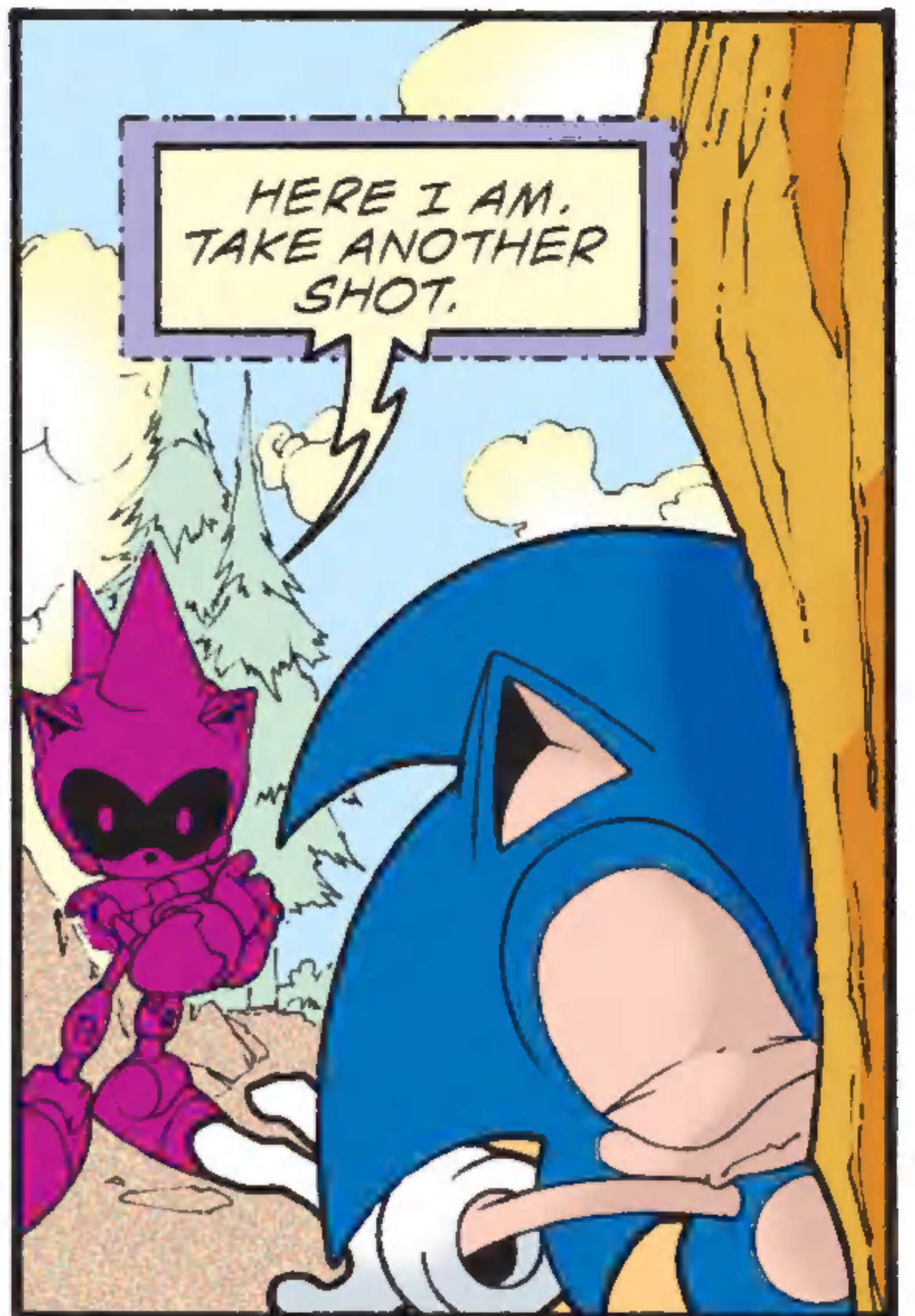
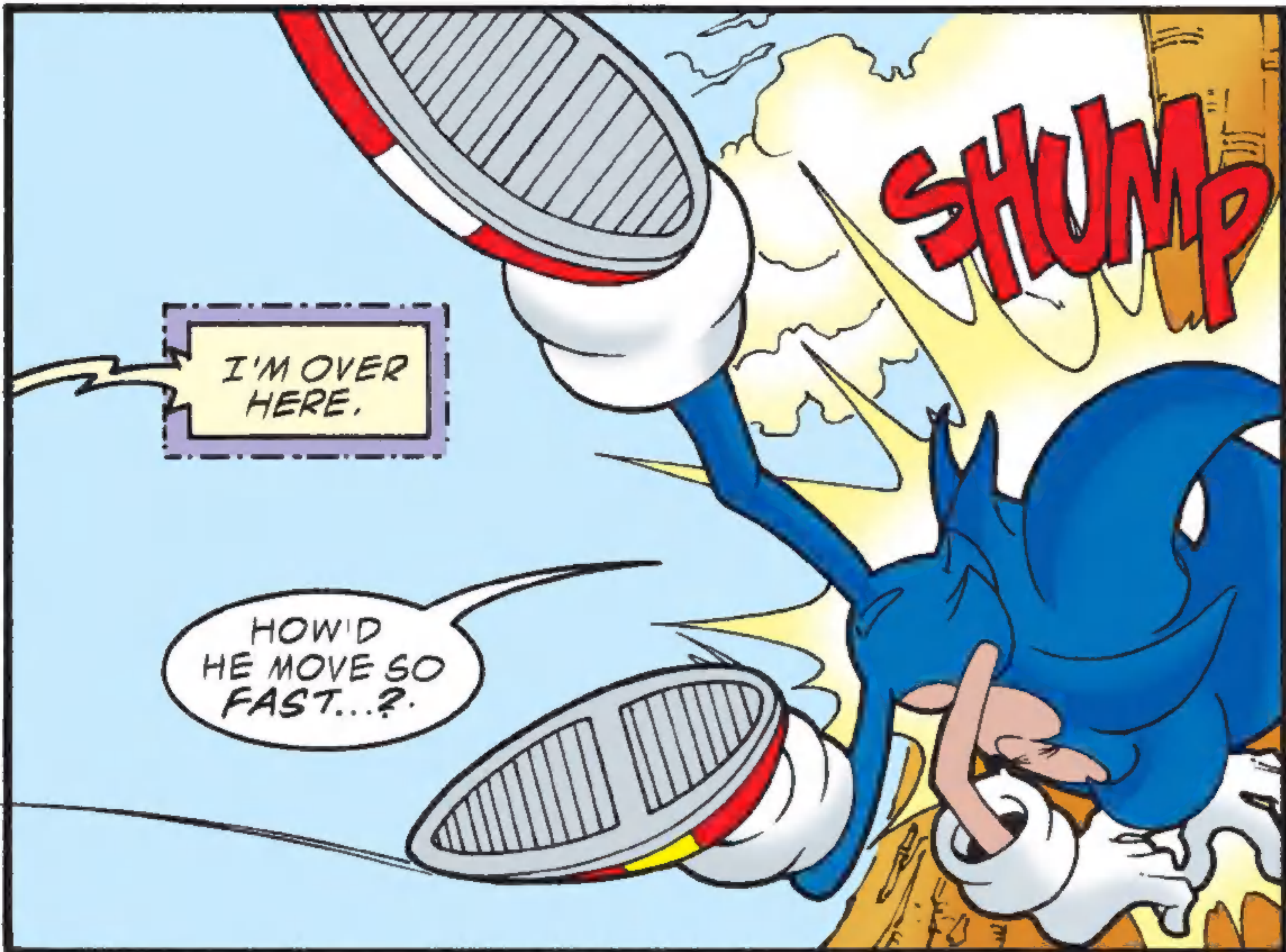




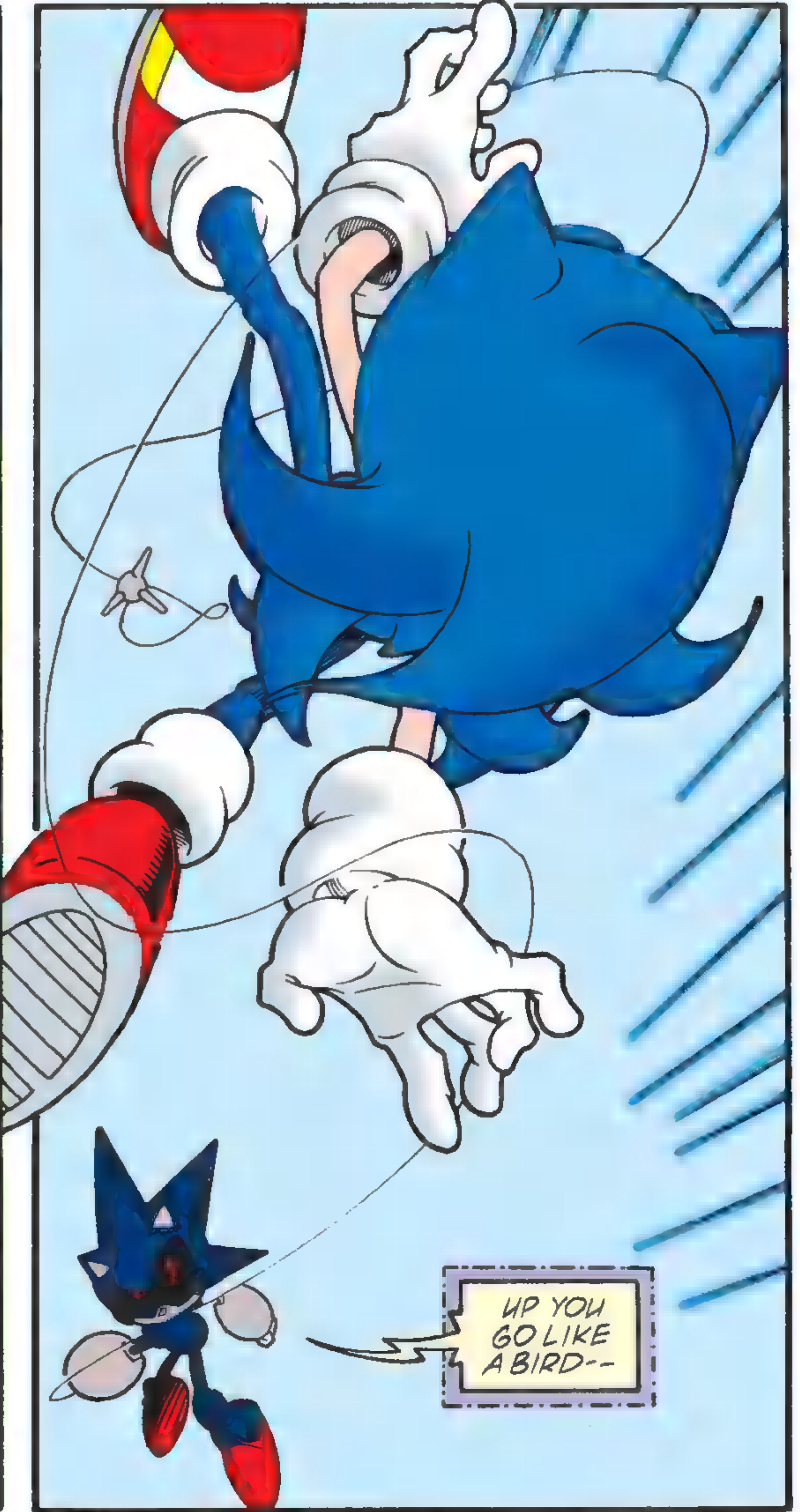
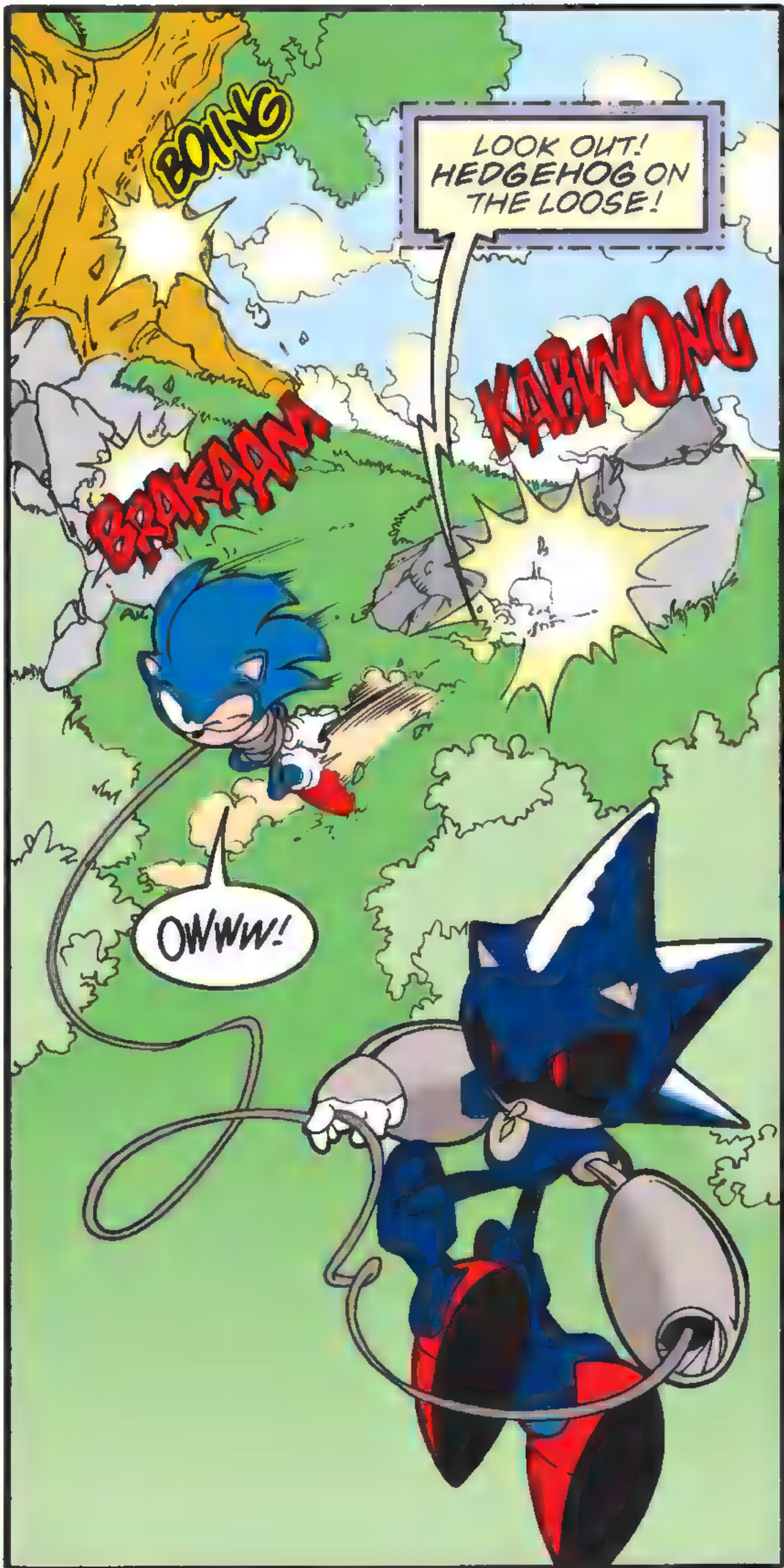
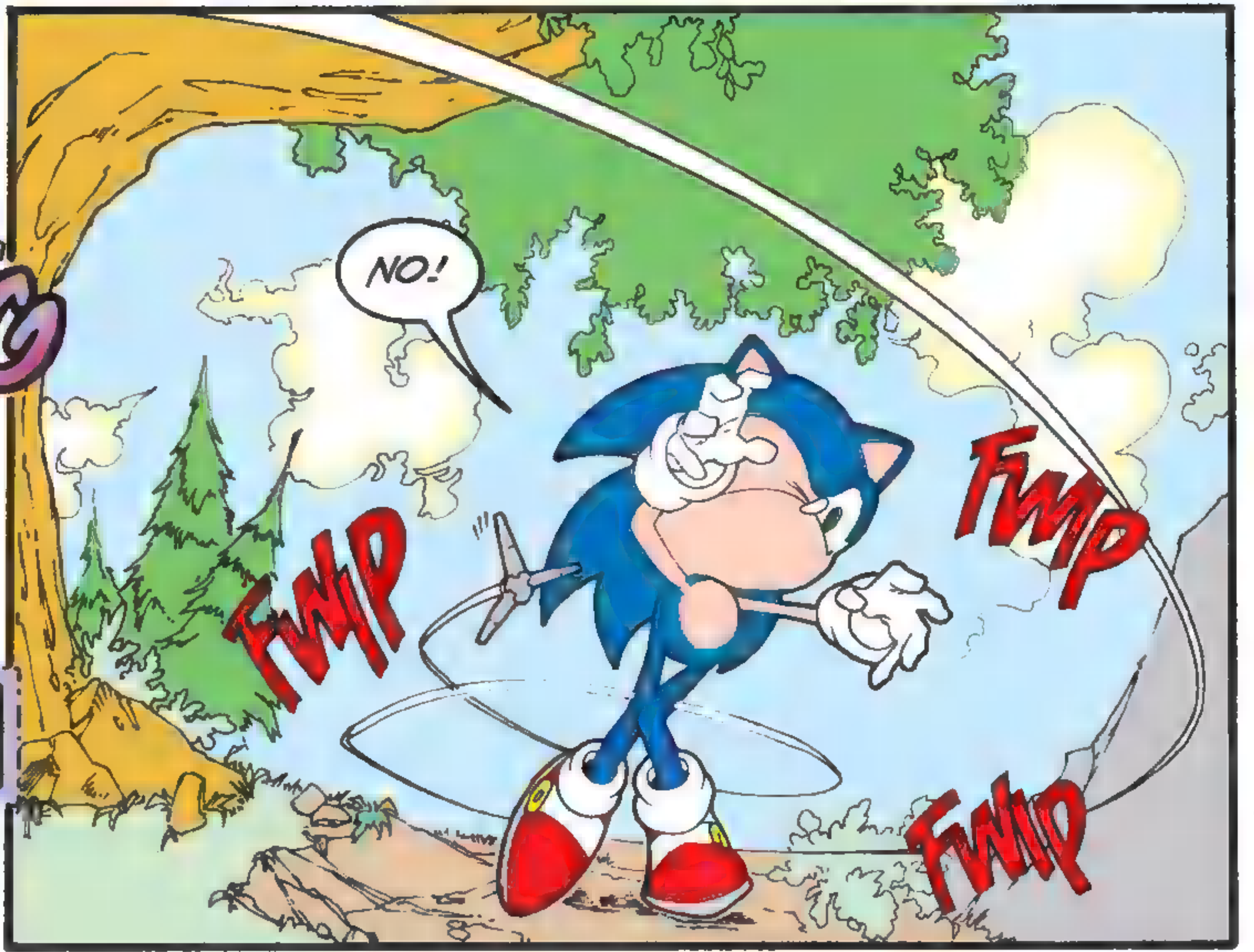
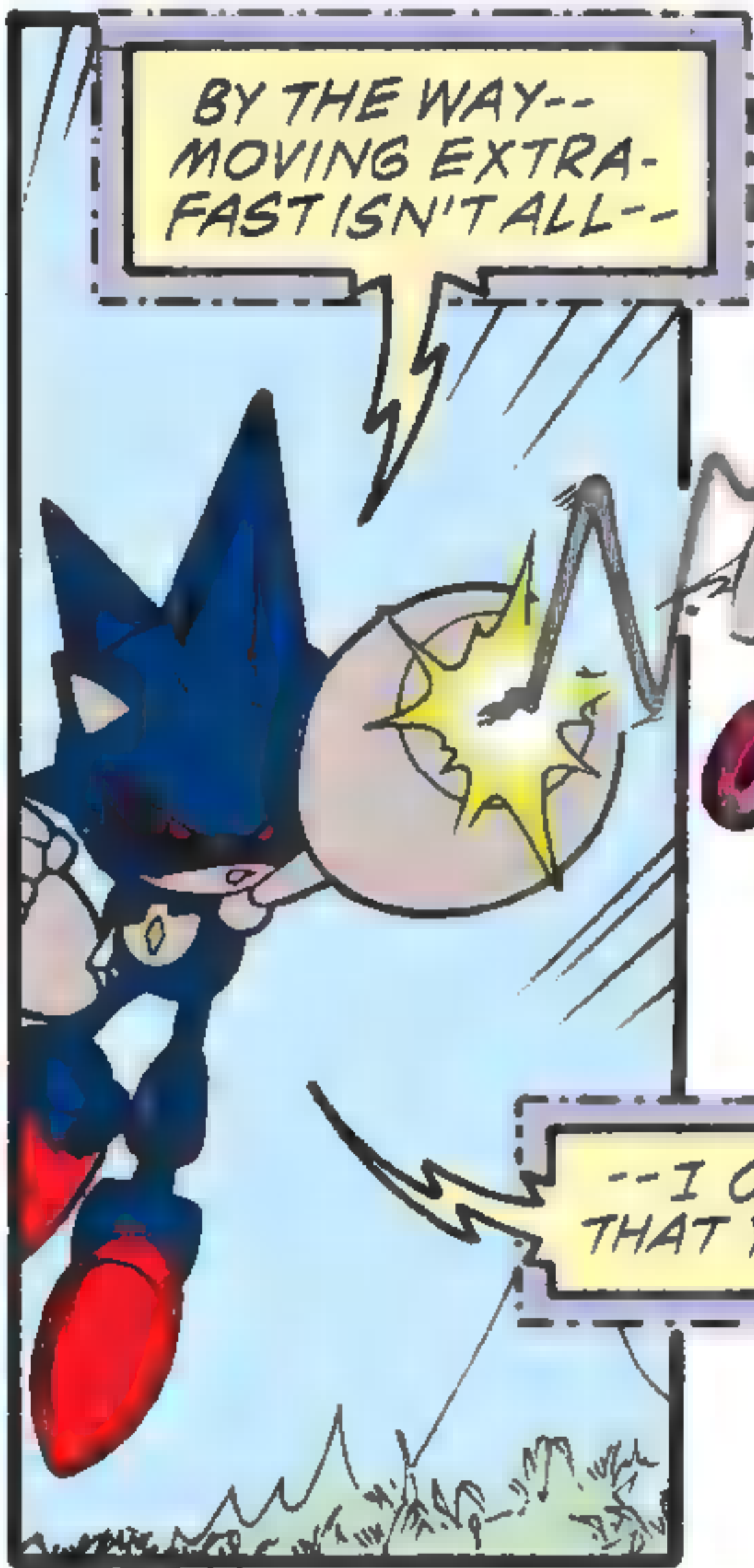




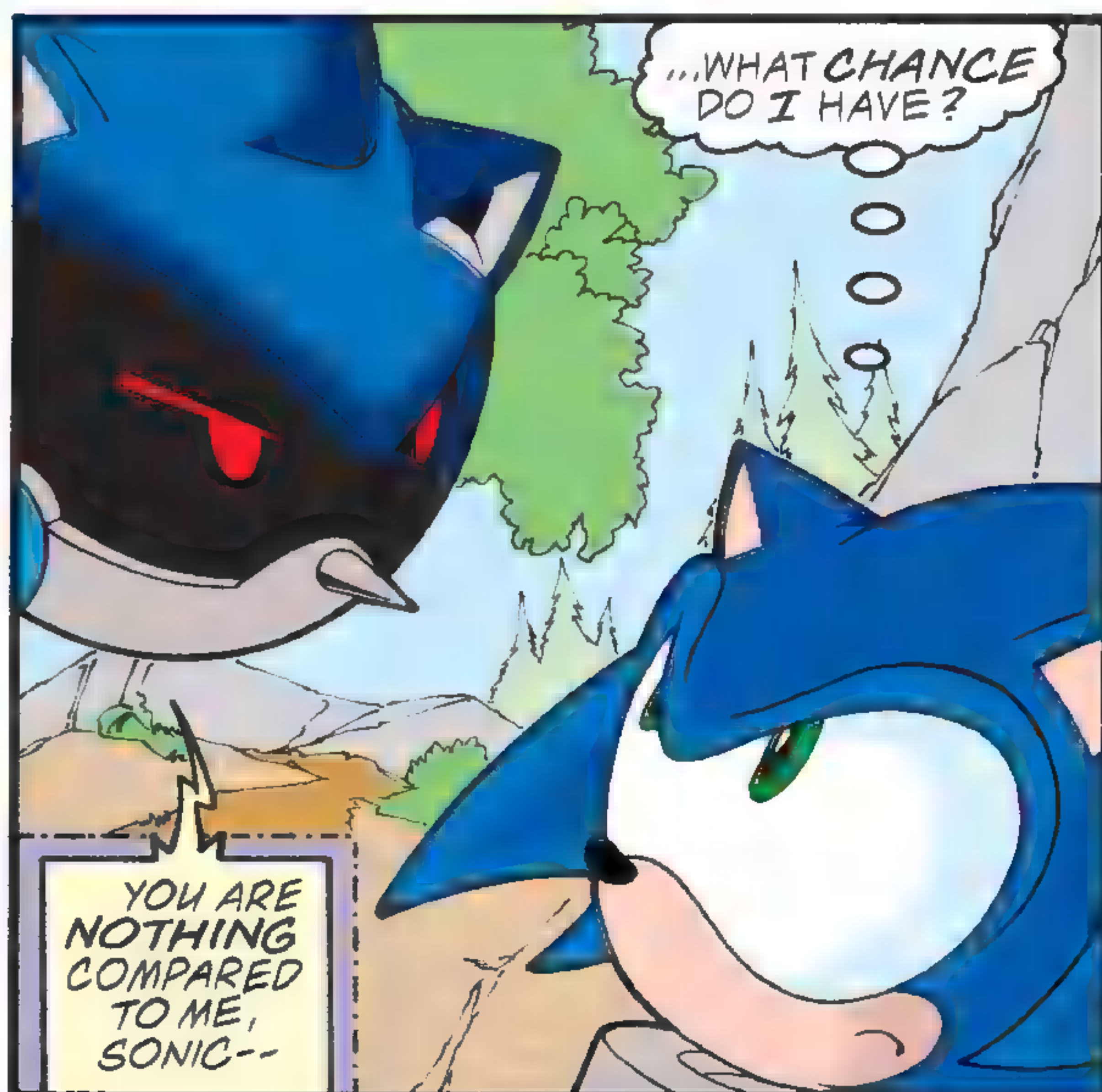
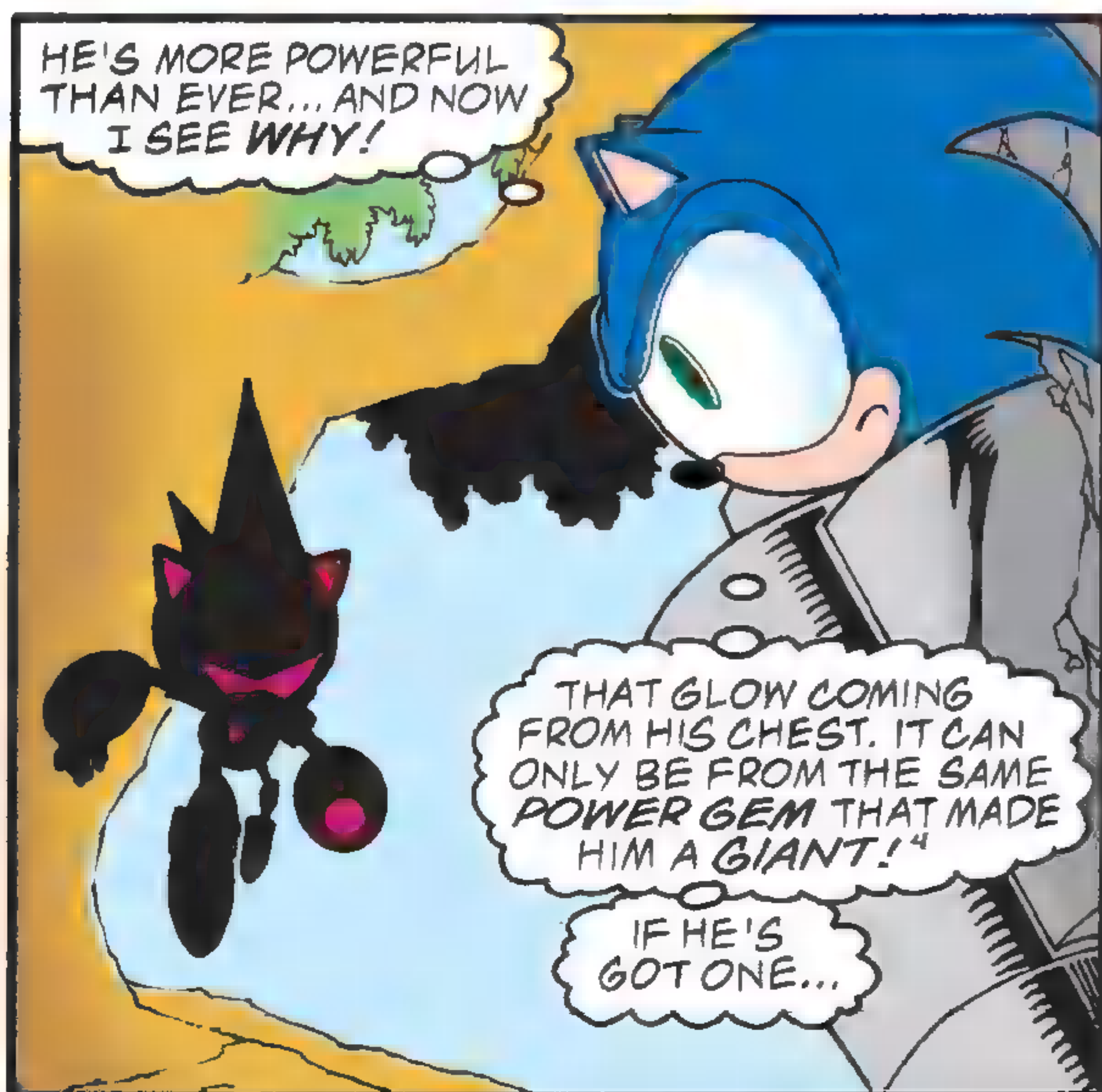
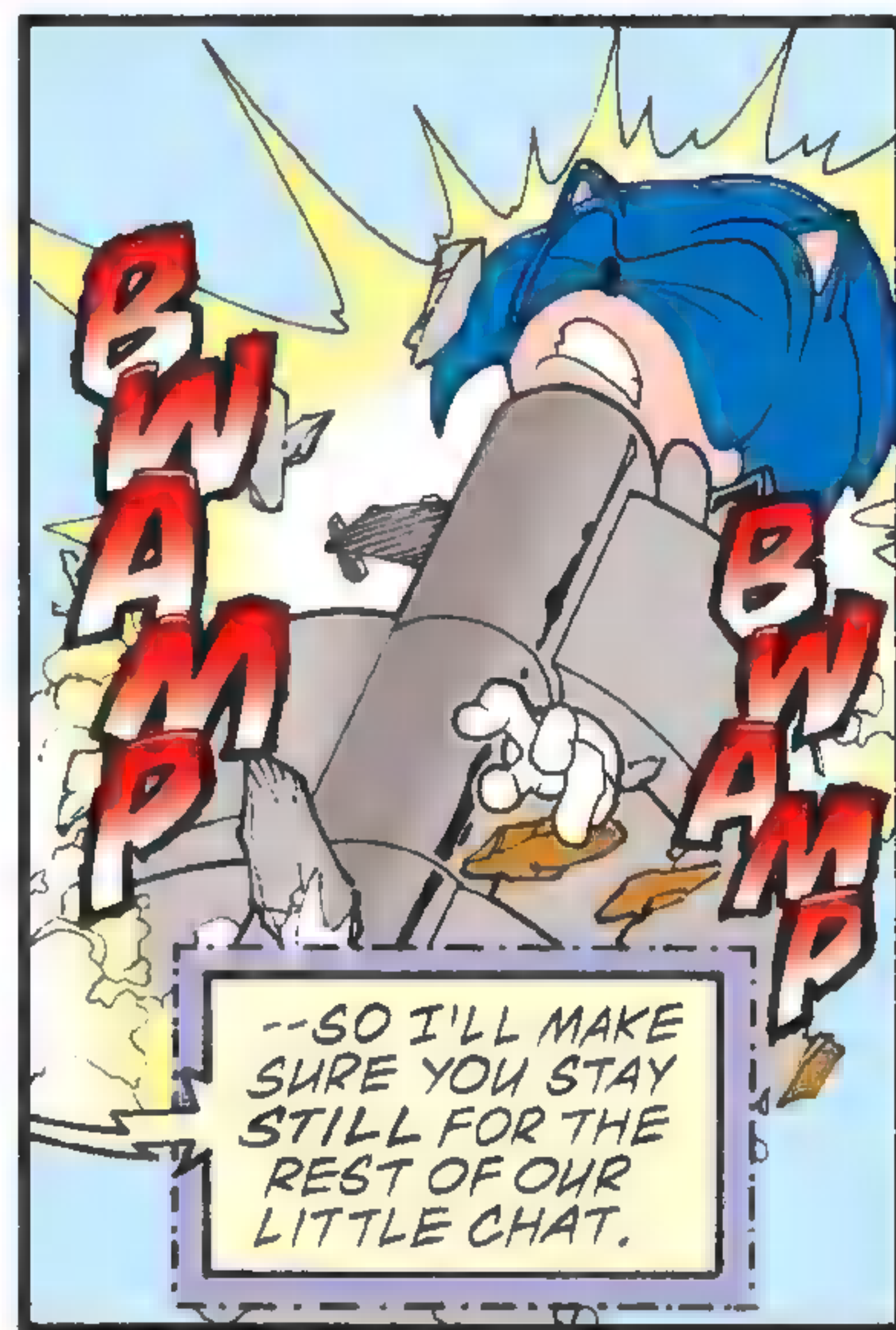
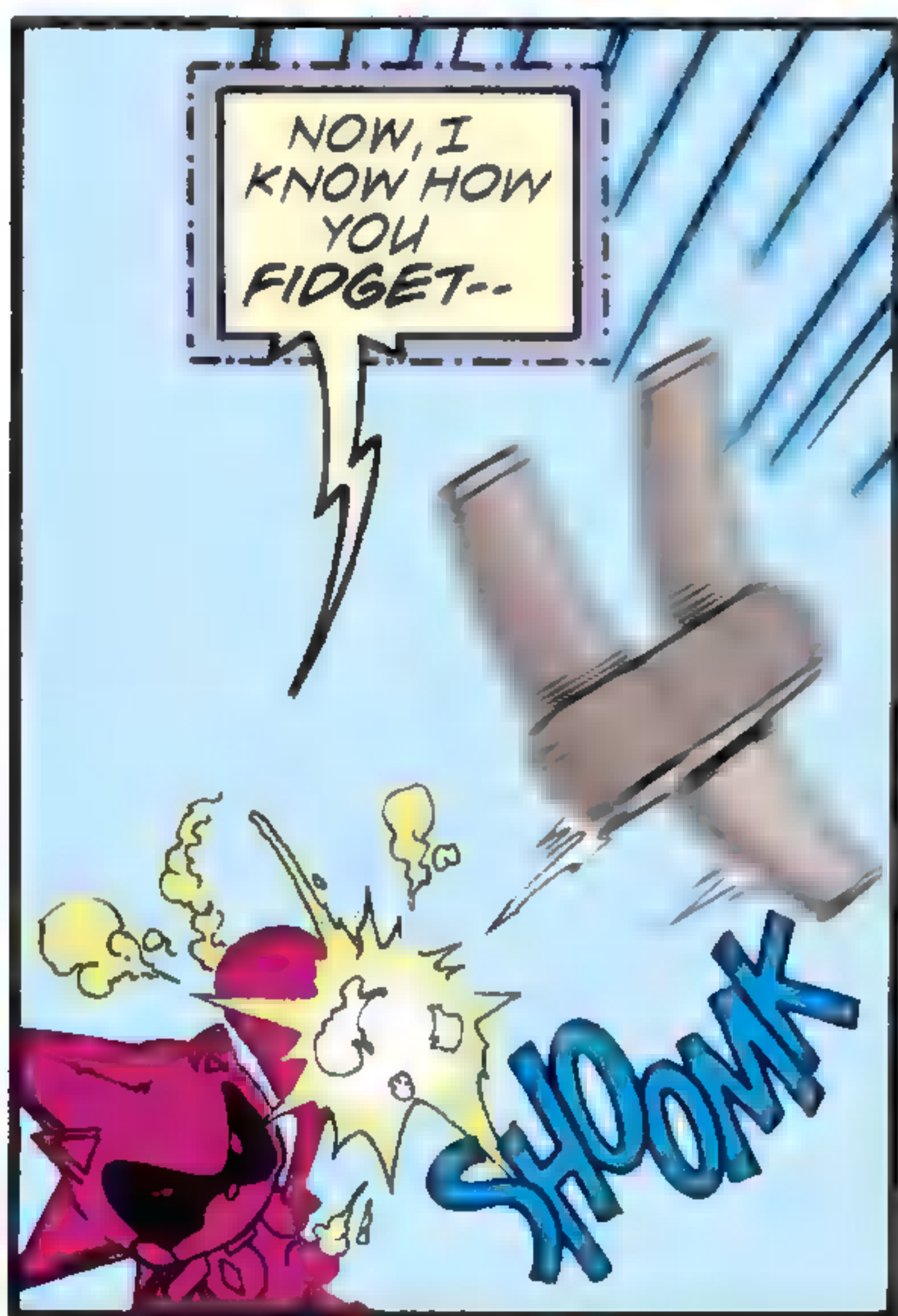
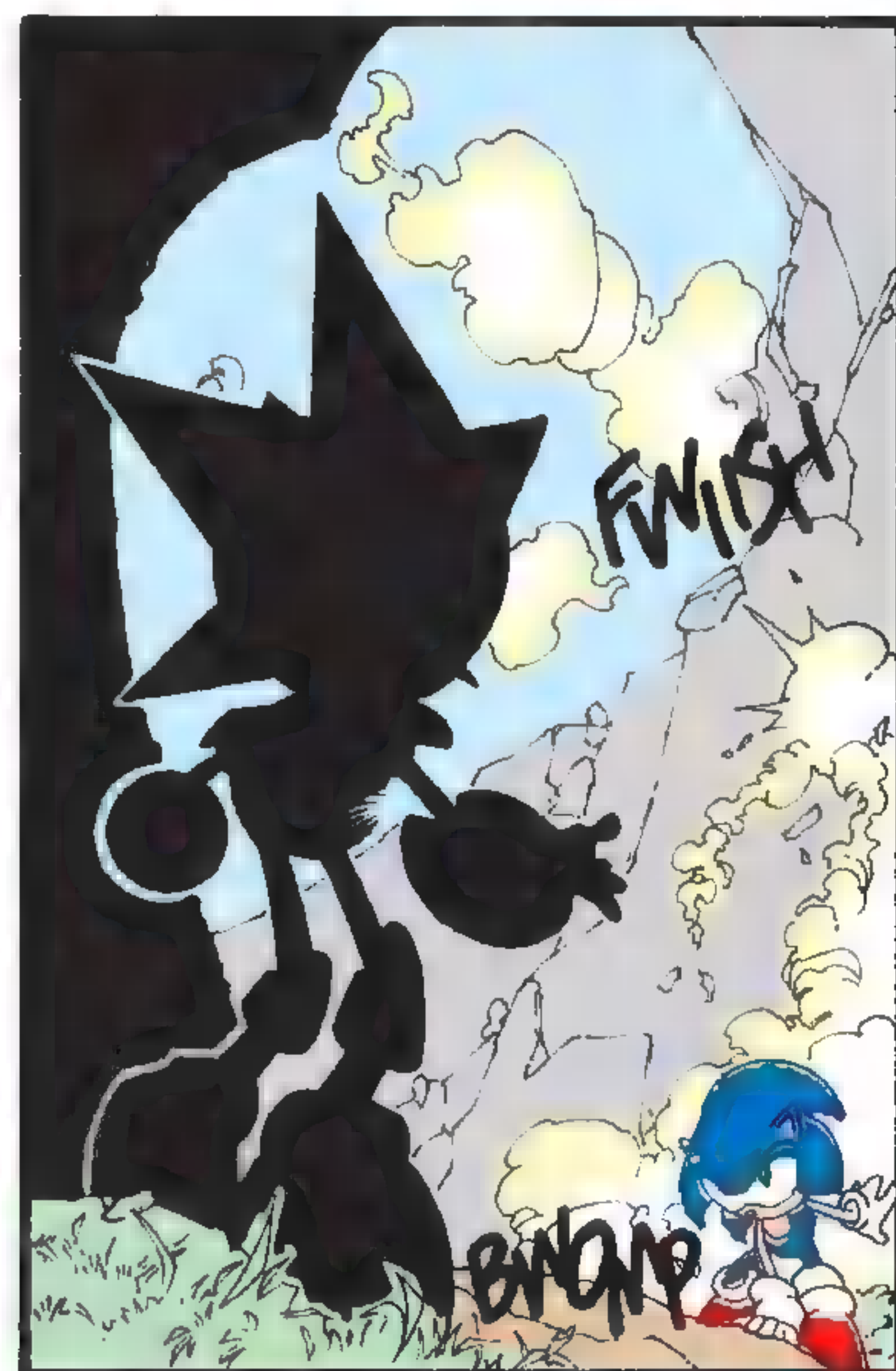
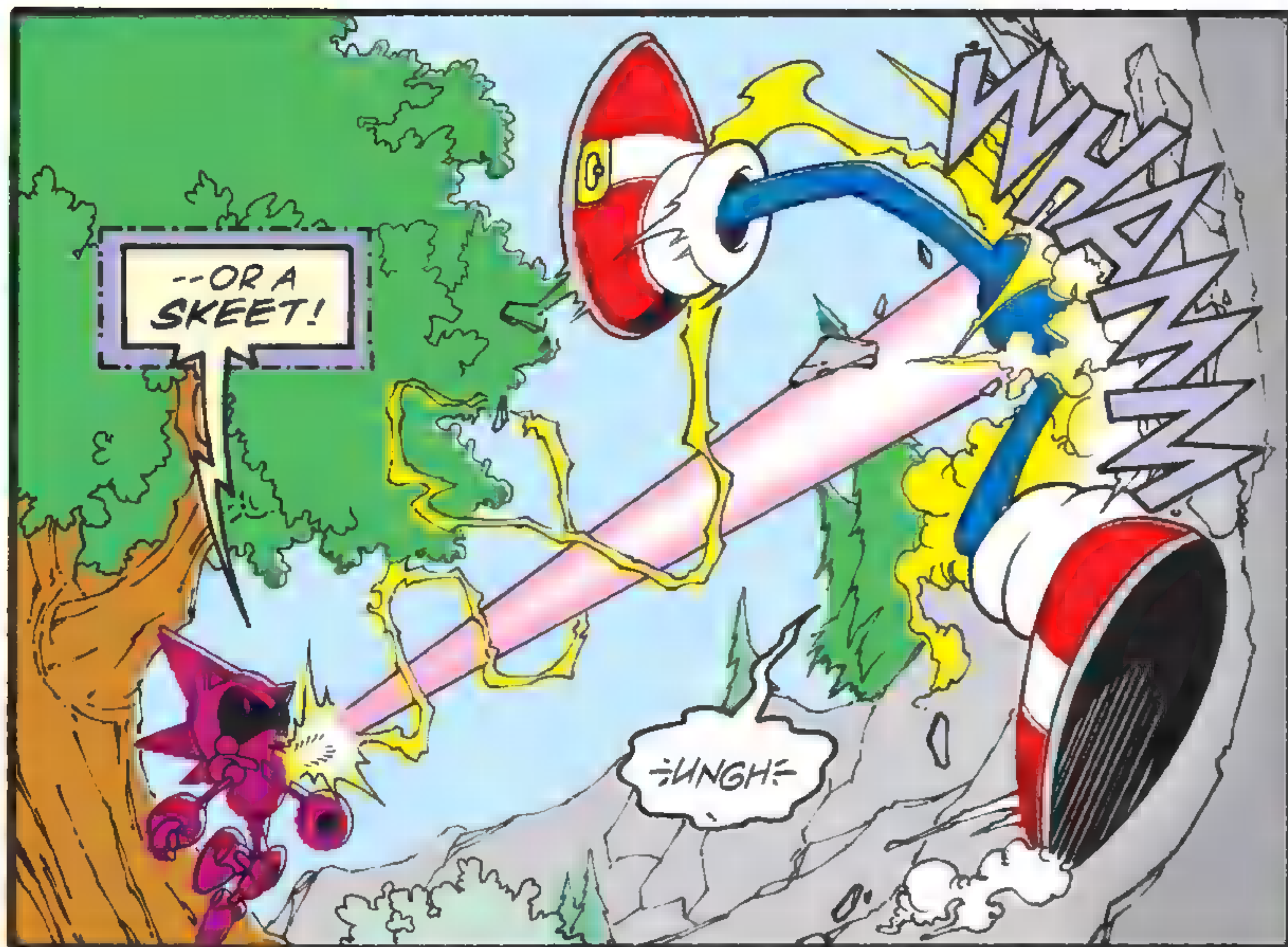




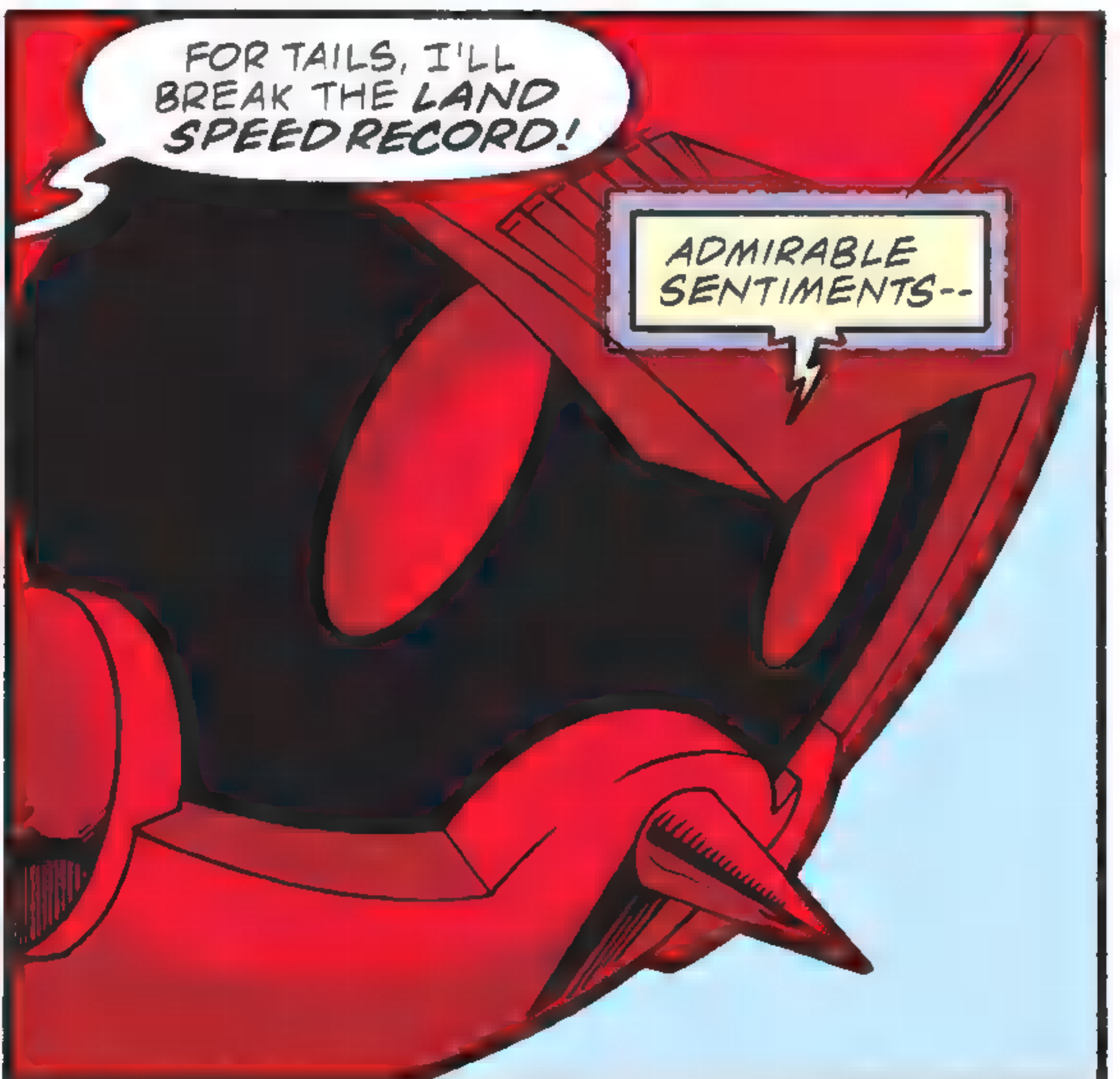
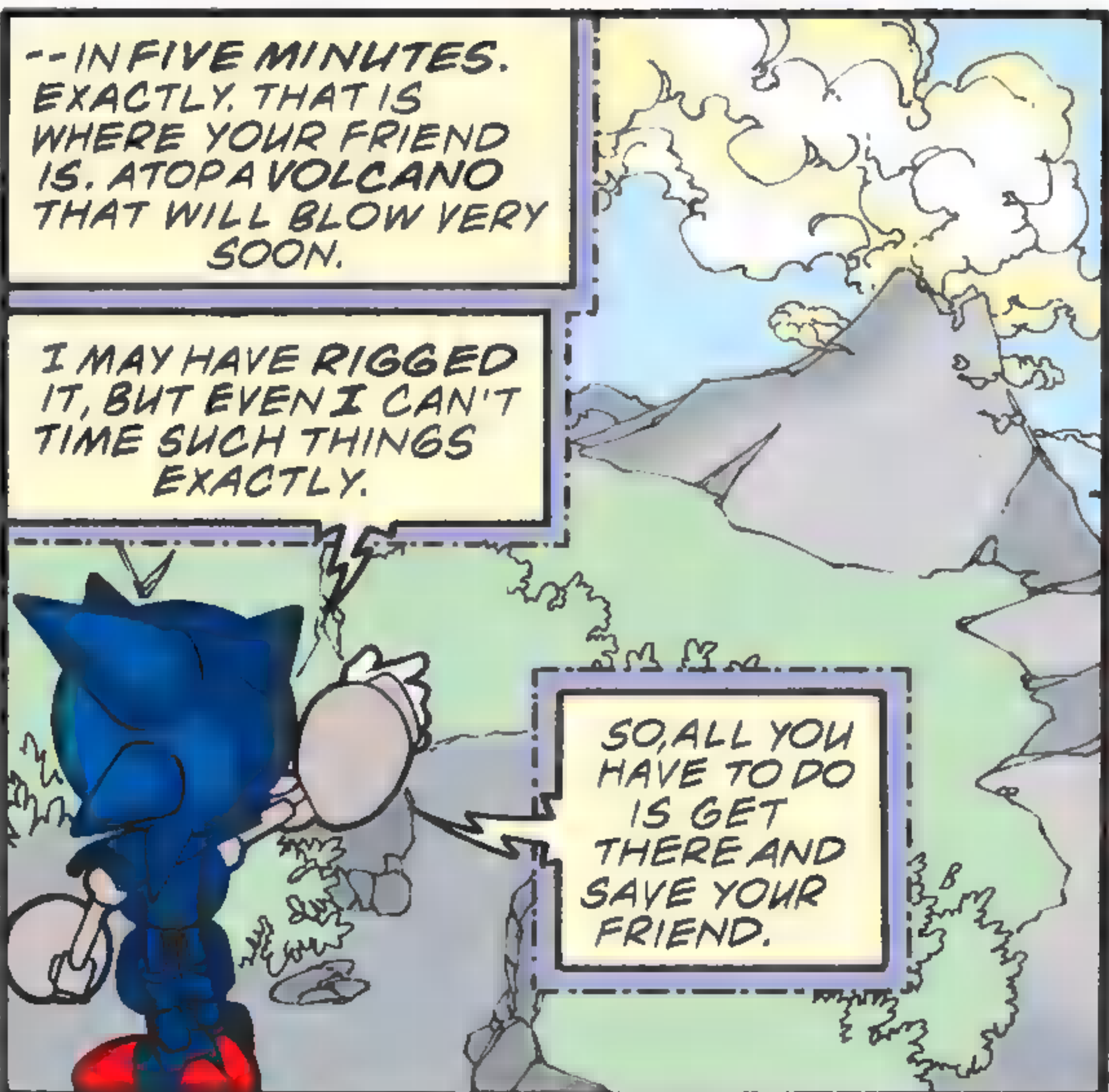
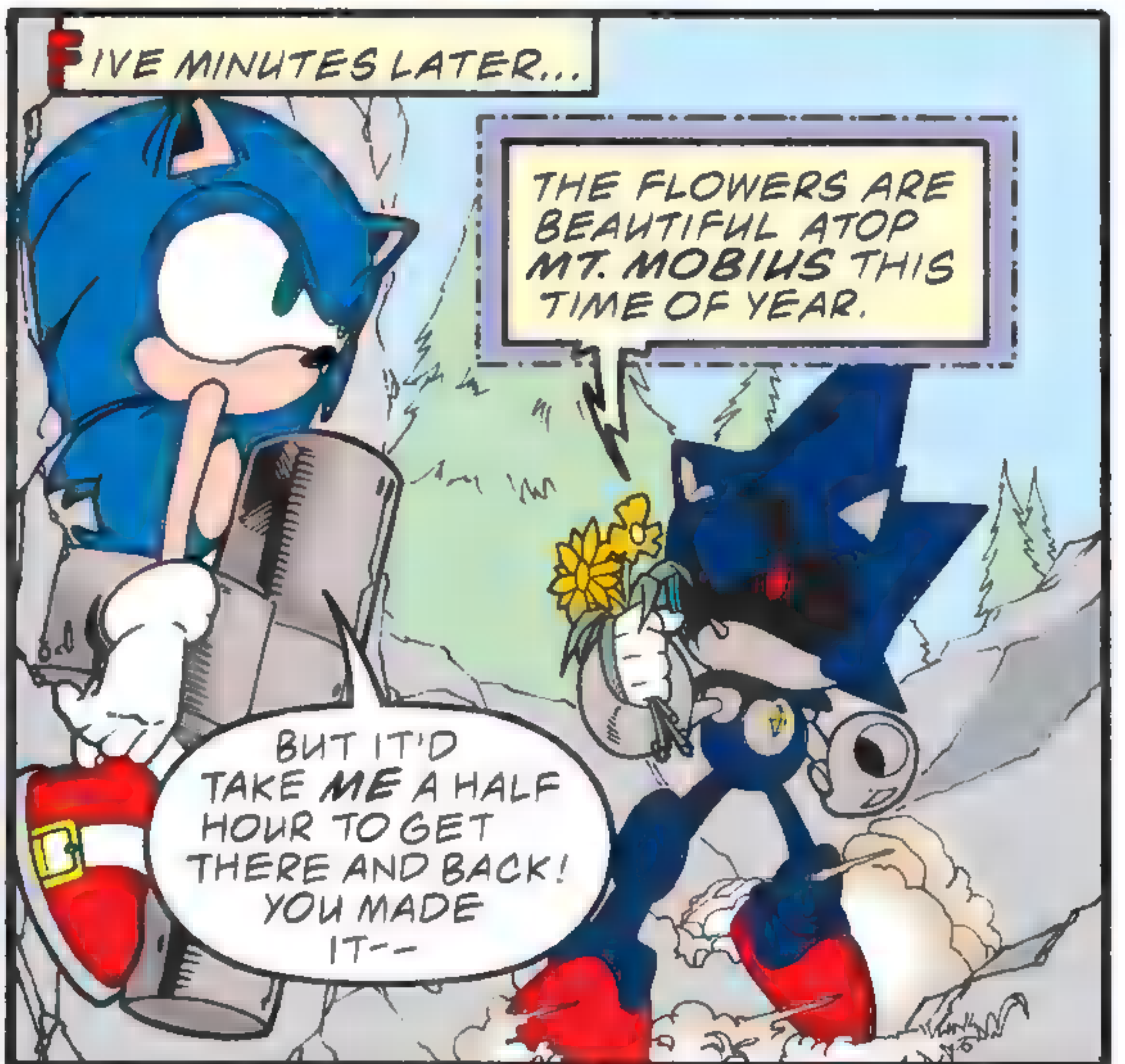
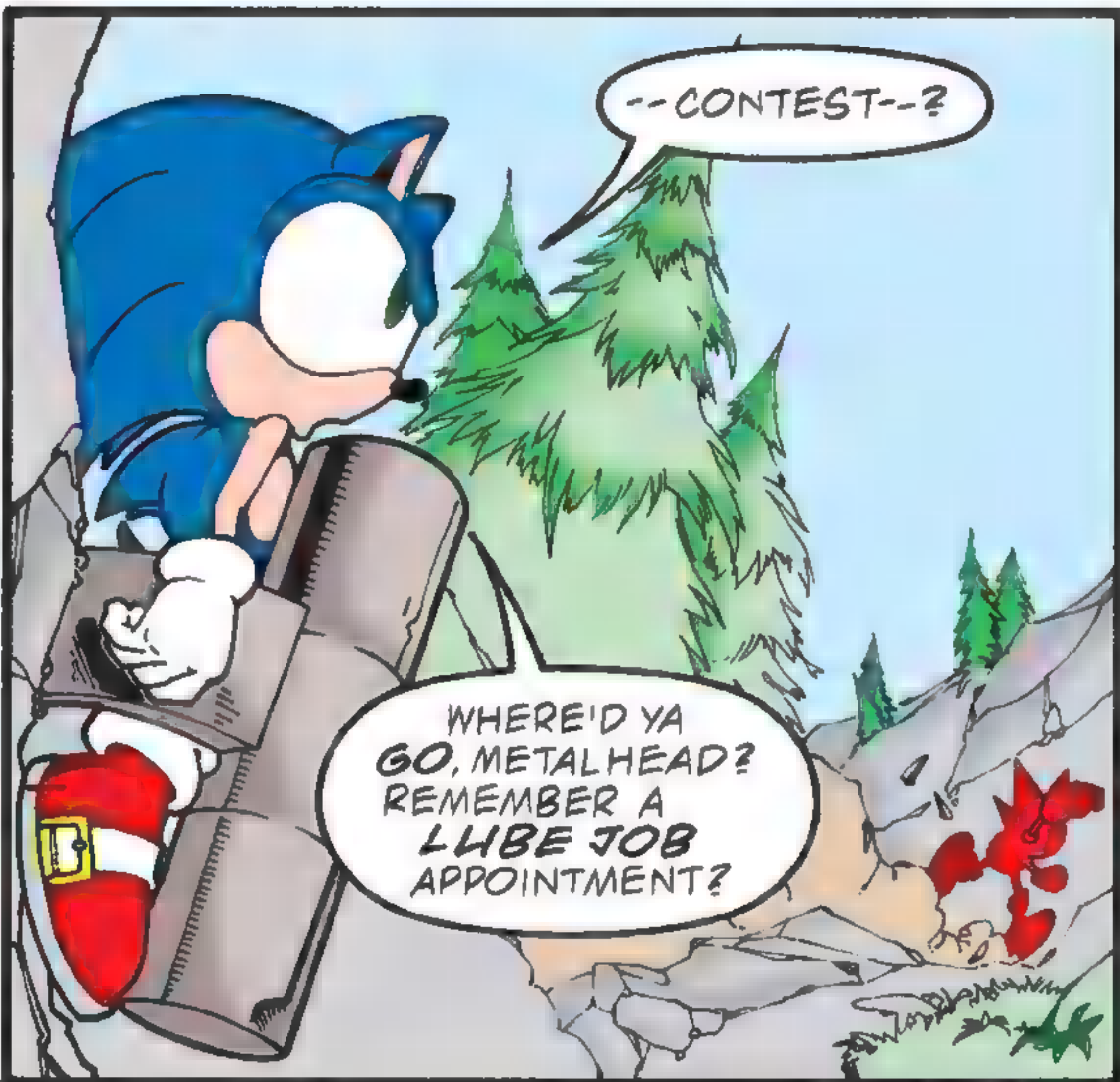




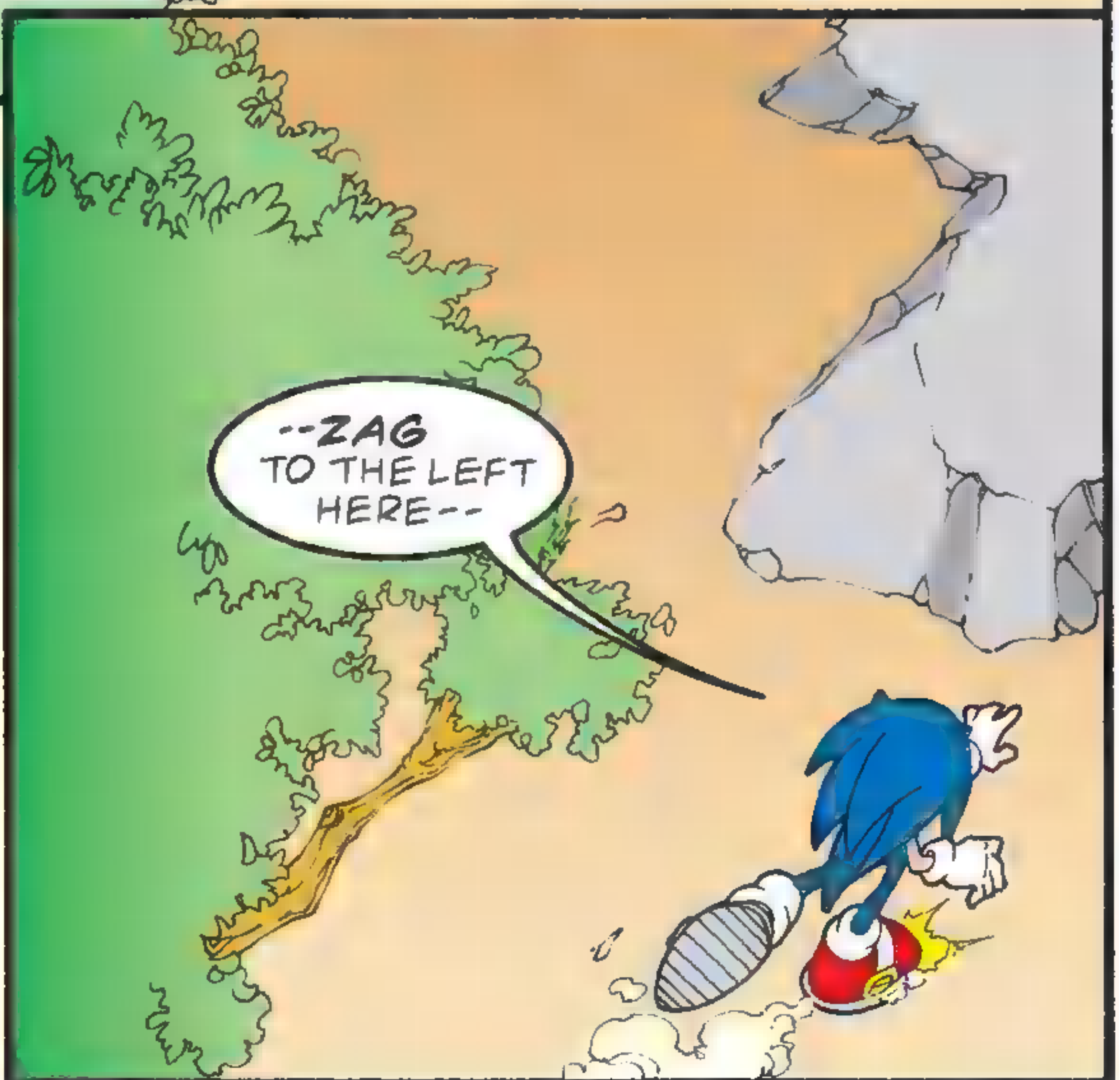
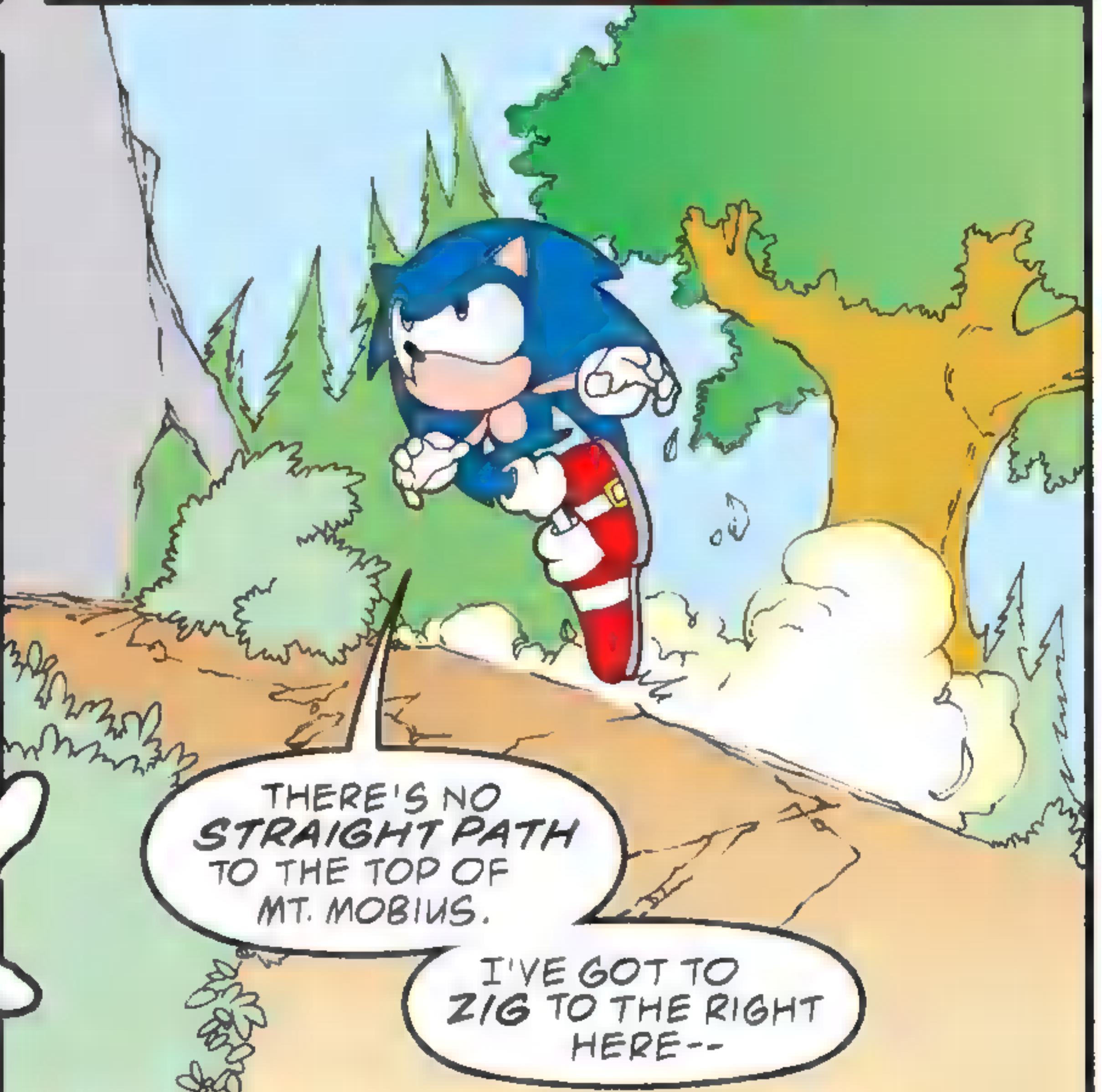
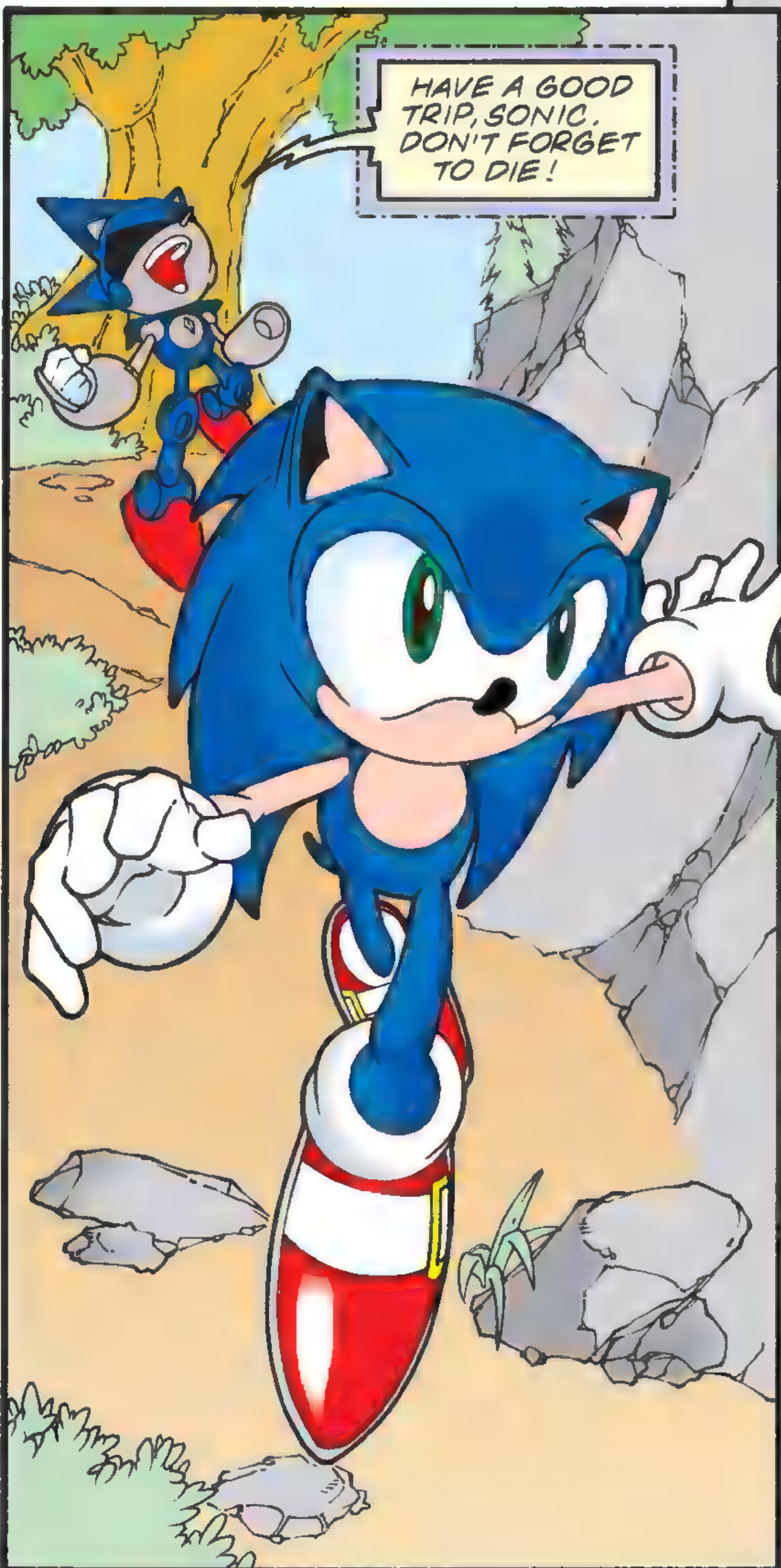
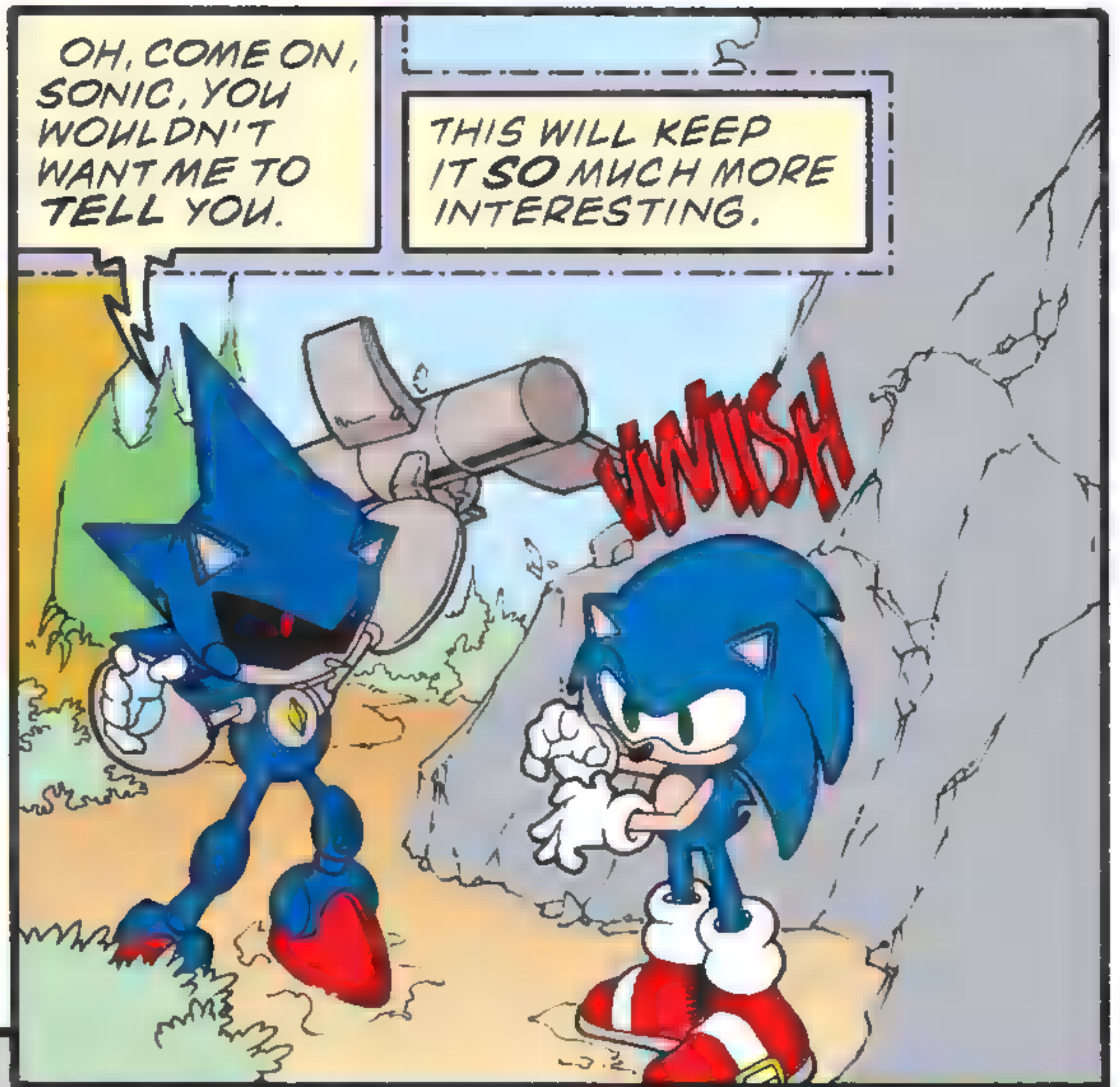




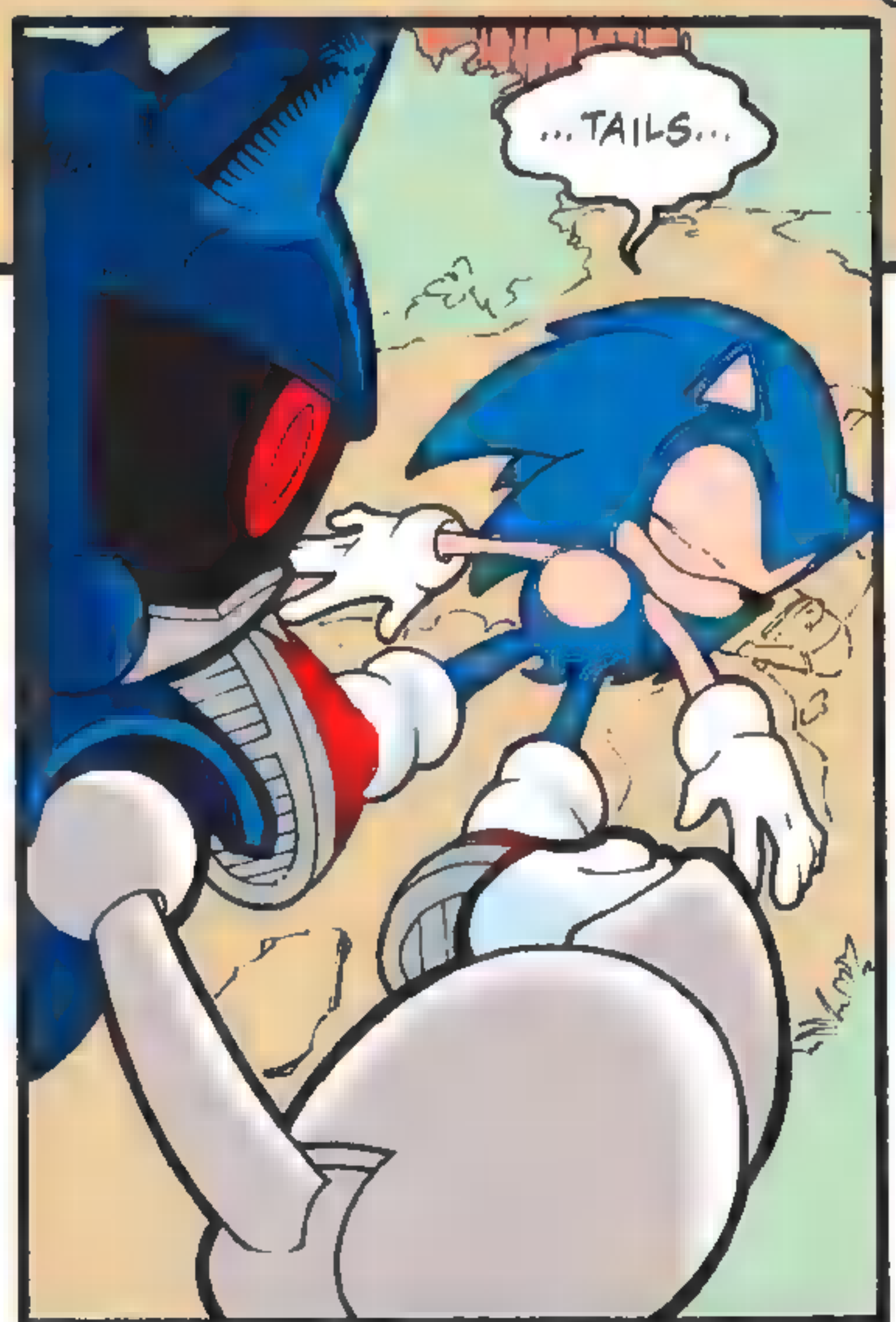




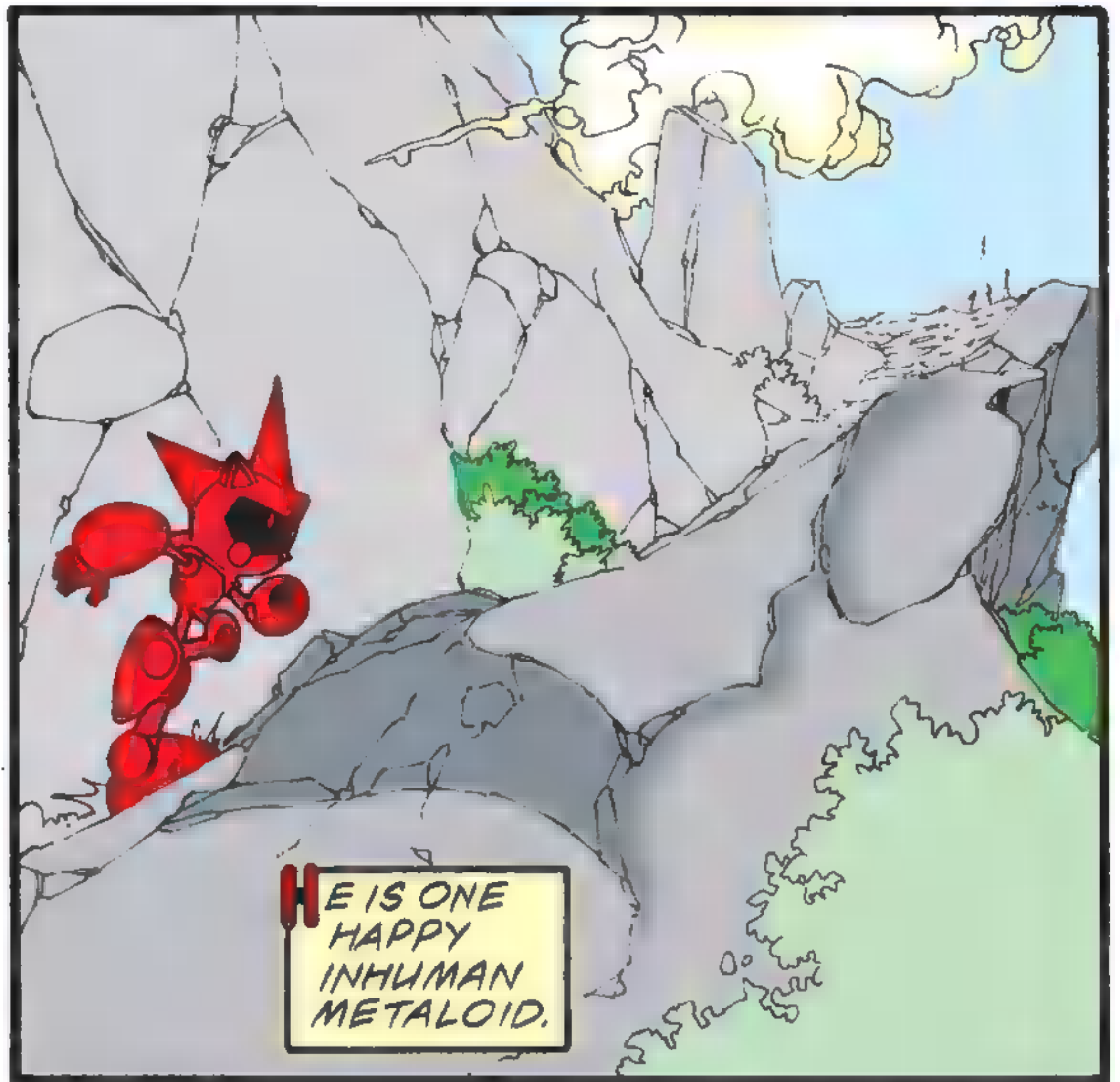
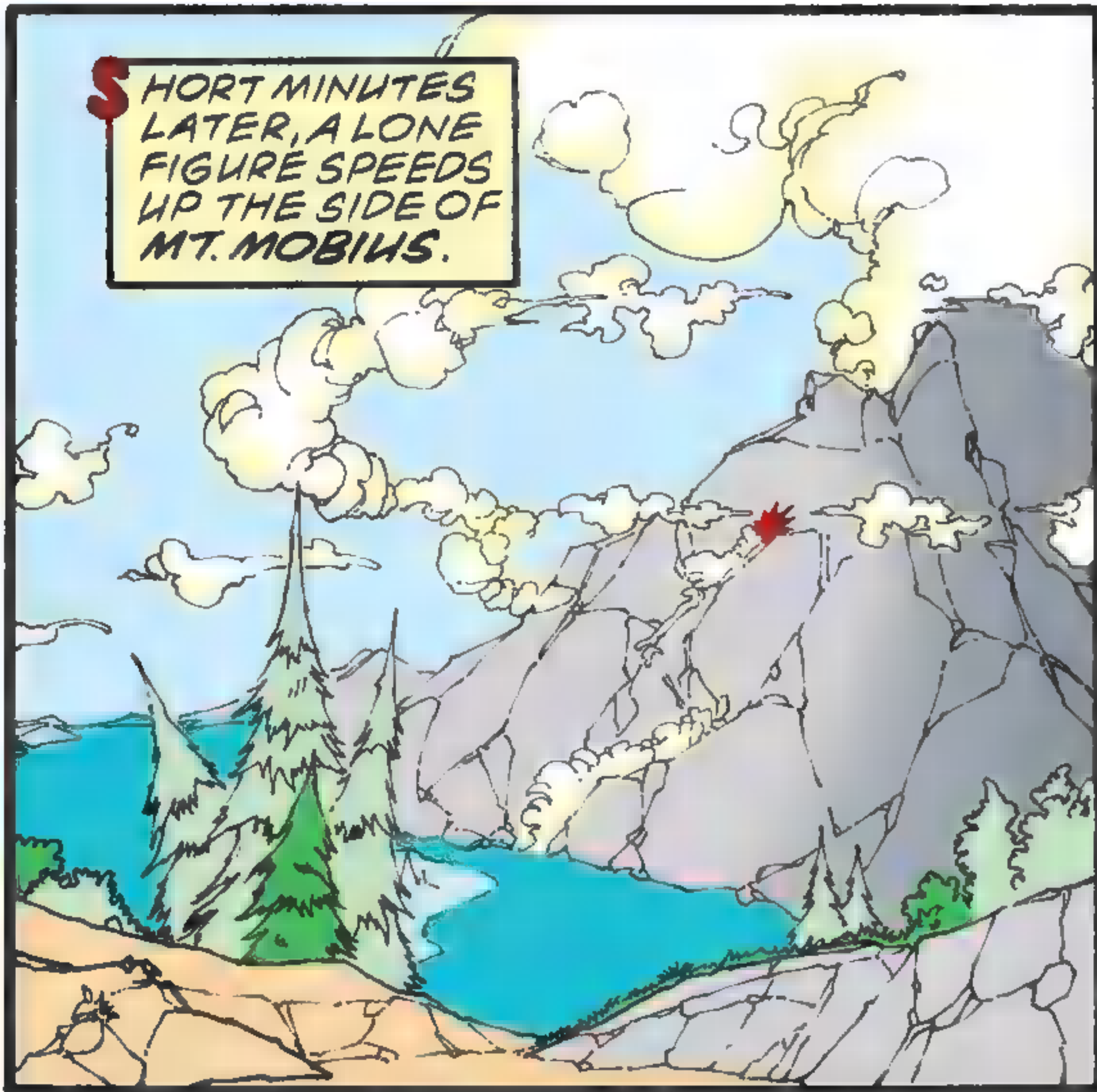








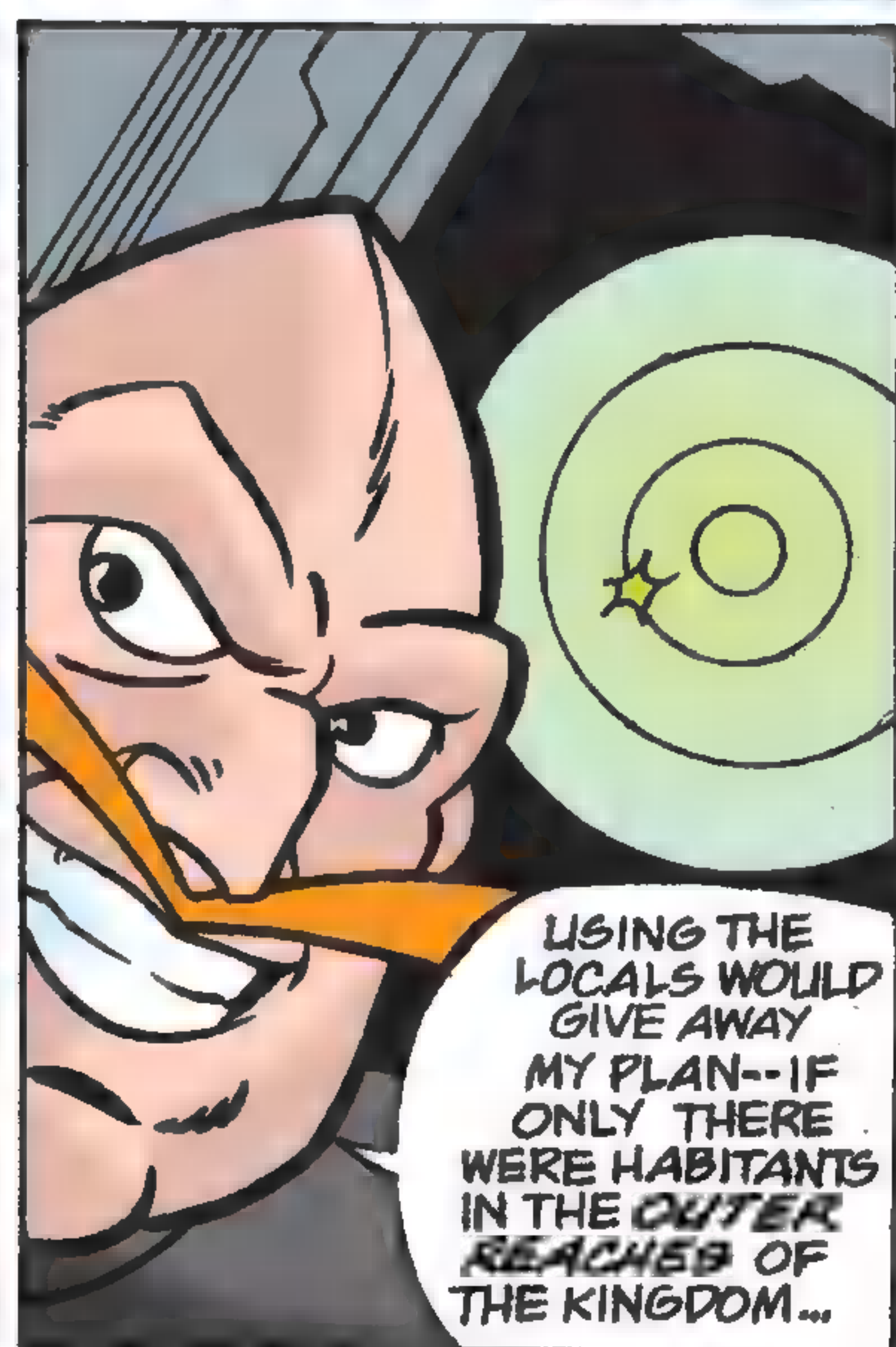
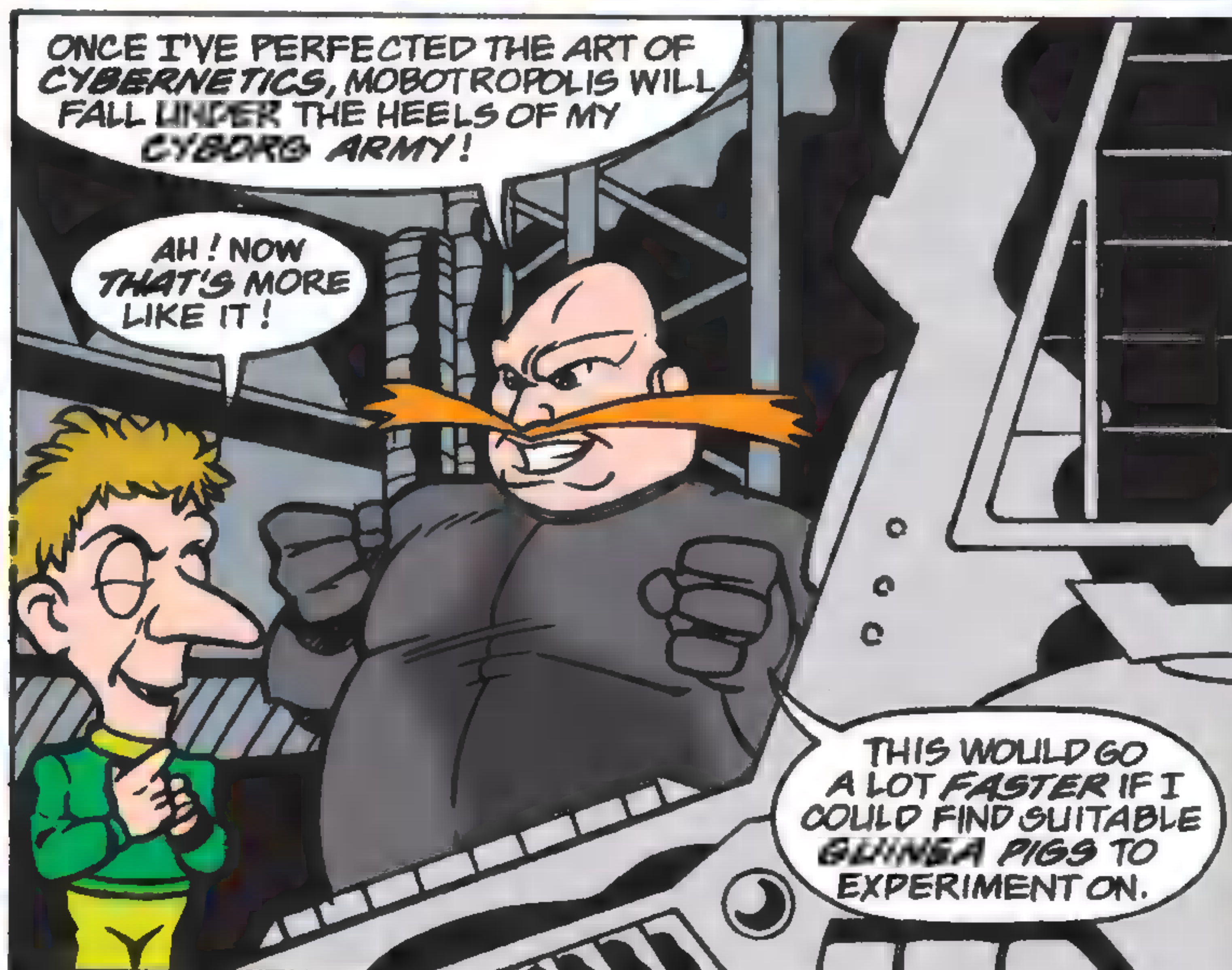
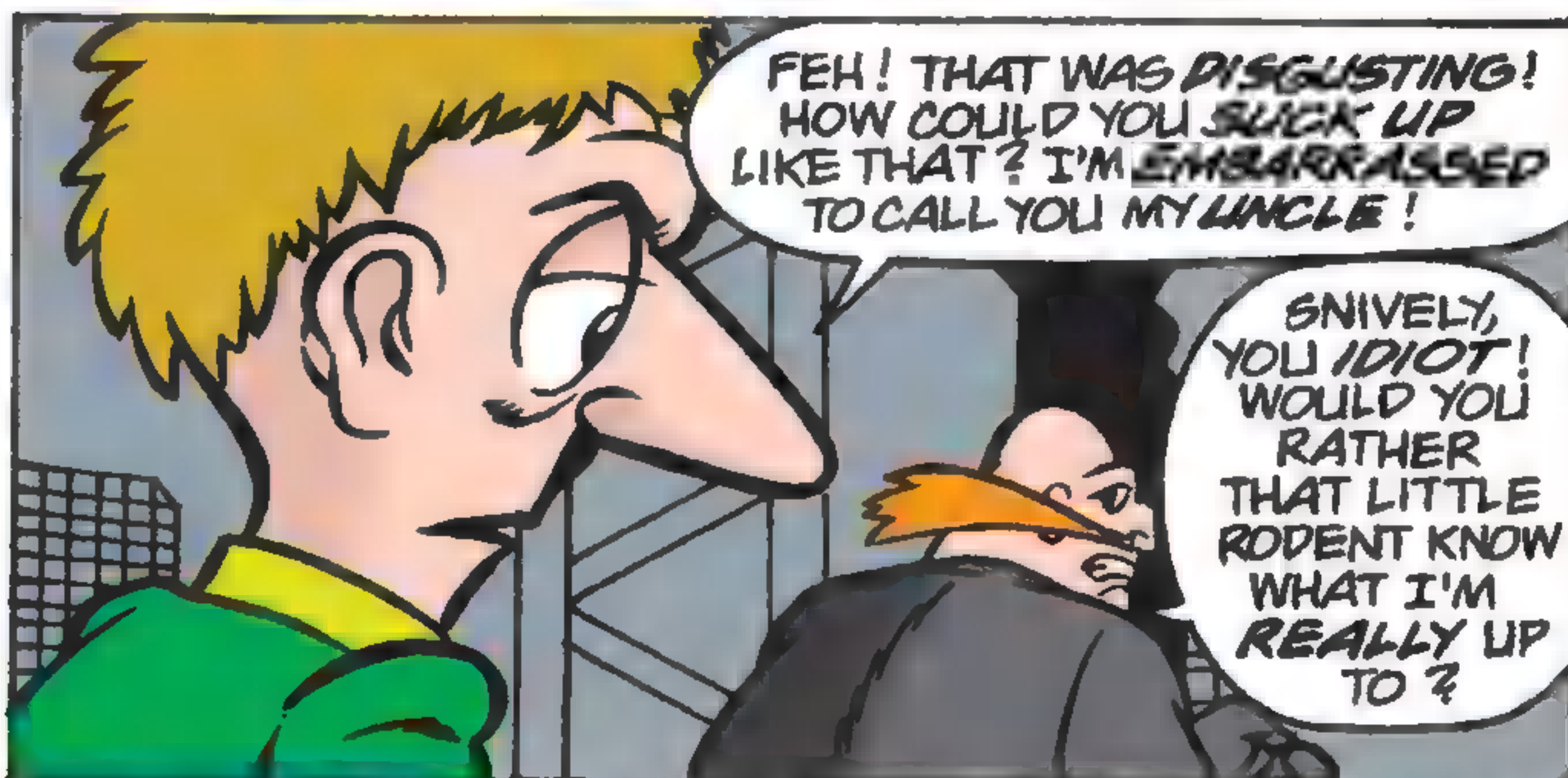
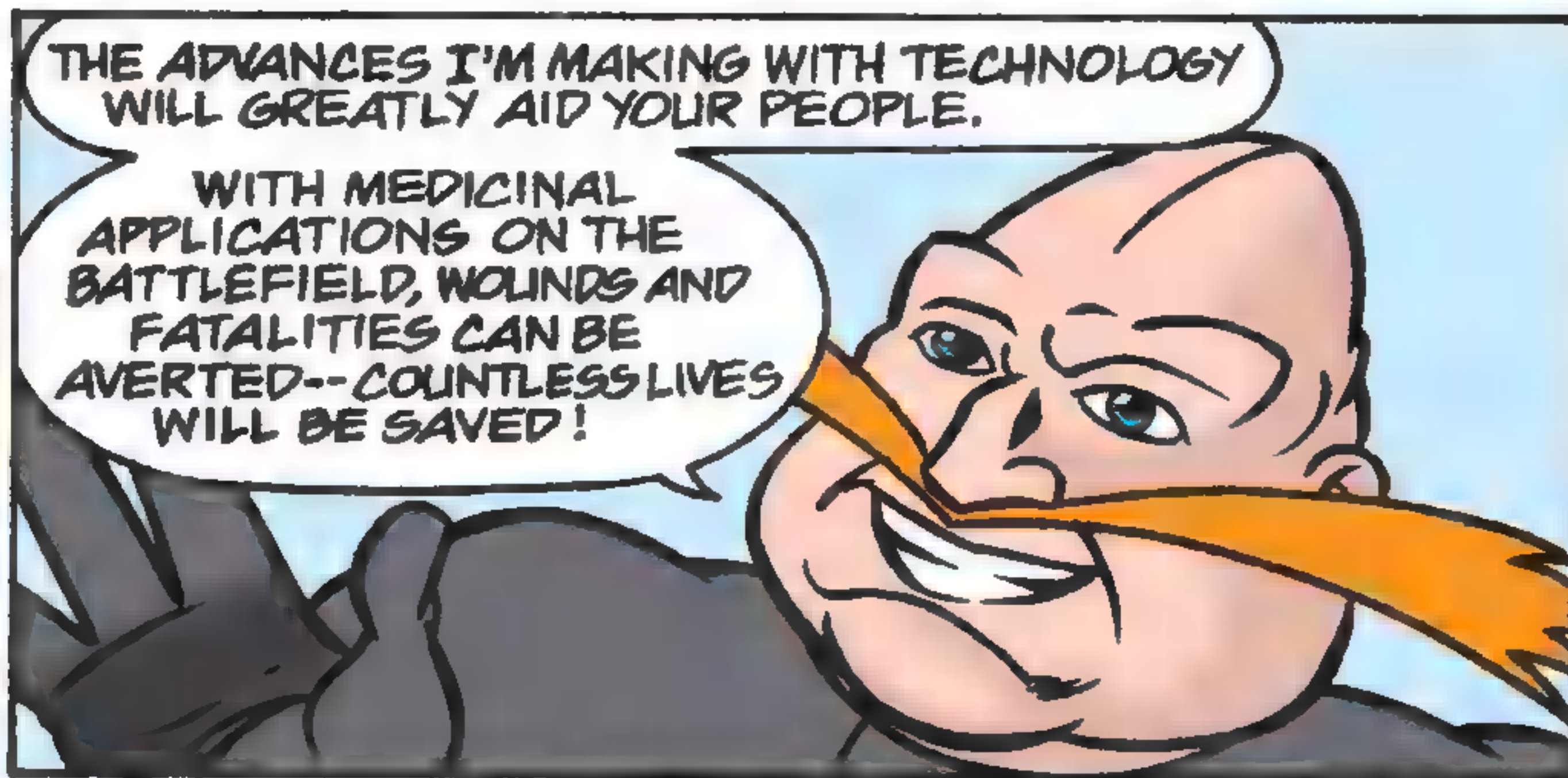
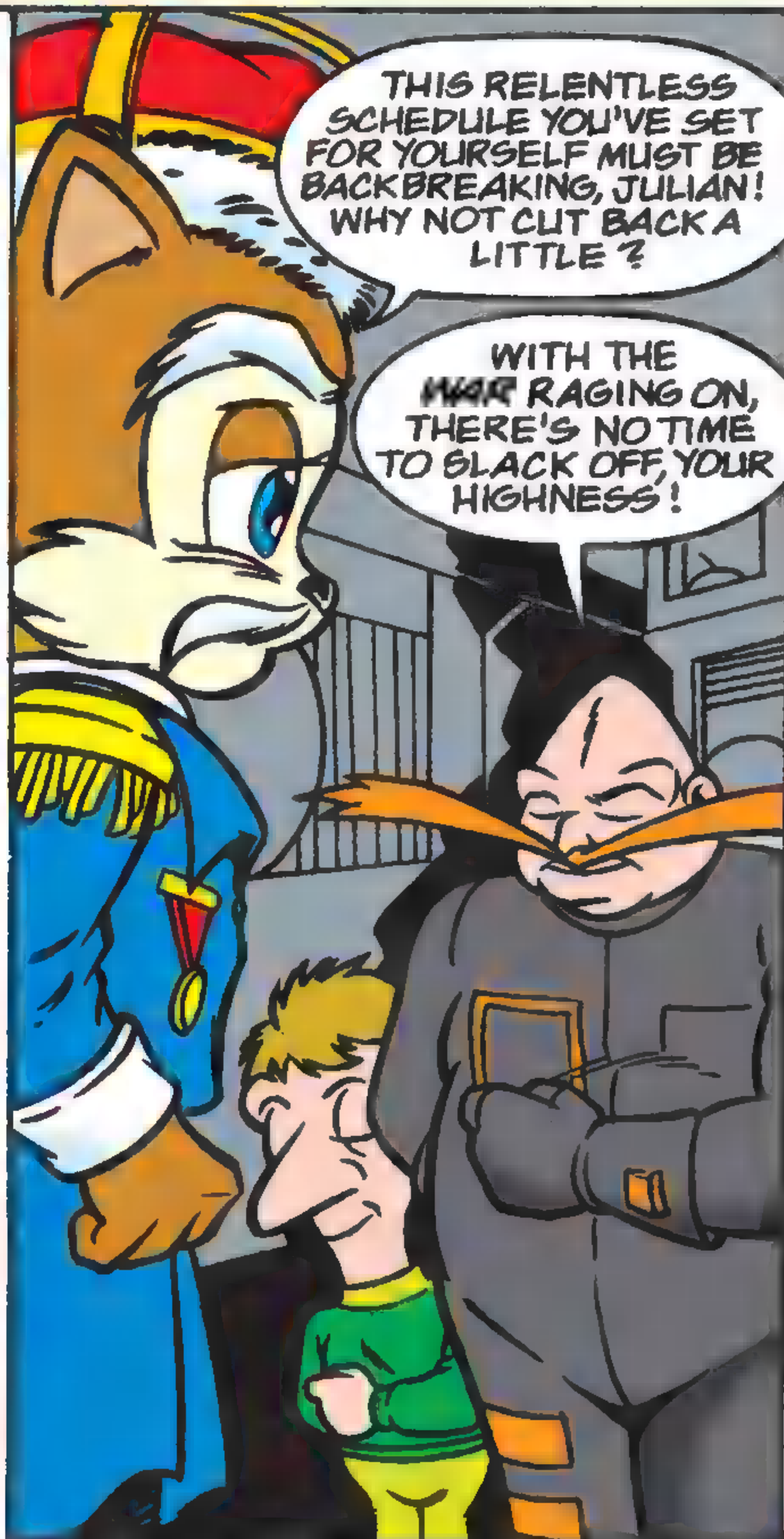






# TEN YEARS AGO...

**IN DAYS LONG PAST, MOBOTROPOLIS FACED CONFLICT FROM OUTSIDE ADVERSARIES, AND UNBERKNOUGHT TO KING MAX, ONE FROM WITHIN AS WELL...**





THE OUTER REACHES OF THE KINGDOM--

--NAMELY A SMALL IMMIGRANT  
SETTLEMENT NAMED LEUNG  
WEST, WHERE THE NEW NATIVES  
ARE RESTLESS...

# MONKEY KHAN IN AGAINST THE HAUNTED PAST

PART ONE

HEY! NO FAIR,  
KEN--TACKLING  
IS AGAINST THE  
RULES!!

SEZ WHO?  
I MADE THE RULES UP,  
SO I CAN BREAK 'EM  
IF I WANT!  
YOU'RE LUCKY THAT'S  
THE ONLY THING I'M  
BREAKING!

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WAZ HERE!

LOOK  
OUT! KEN'S  
GONE  
PSYCHO  
AGAIN!!

KEN KHAN!  
HAVEN'T I SCOLDED  
YOU BEFORE FOR SUCH  
ROUGH-HOUSING?

BUT, FATHER-- WE WERE  
ONLY PLAYING...!

HE NEARLY  
BROKE MY BACK,  
LORD LAU.

PLAYING  
WITH KEN IS  
HAZARDOUS  
TO YOUR  
HEALTH!



AIYYAH! I AM LAU KHAN, RESPECTED COMMUNITY LEADER--HOW DOES IT SERVE THE PEOPLE THAT MY OWN SON IS SO AGGRESSIVE... SO VIOLENT?

BUT, FATHER, I LIKE TO FIGHT... AND I'M GOOD AT IT!

LEUNG WEST IS A COMMUNITY OF PACIFISTS, ARTISANS, AND INTELLECTUALS--FIGHTING IS NOT ACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOR!

AND IF WE ARE EVER FACED WITH THE EVENT OF WAR, WHAT THEN? HOW WILL WE DEFEND OURSELVES WITHOUT FIGHTING?

KEN, THERE IS NO CONFLICT THAT CANNOT BE RESOLVED THROUGH COMMUNICATION AND REASON!

THAT IS WHY WE ANNOUNCED OUR NEUTRALITY TO THE WAR BETWEEN THE OVERLANDERS AND THE KINGDOM OF ACORN!

I DO HATE TO CONTRADICT YOUR BELIEFS, LAU KHAN, BUT IF YOU HONESTLY BUY THAT, YOU'RE LIVING IN A FOOL'S PARADISE!

NOW LET'S ALL BE GOOD GUINEA PIGS AND FORM AN ORDERLY LINE...!

FATHER...?!?



**E**VENTUALLY...

I DON'T UNDERSTAND--  
MY THEORIES OF CYBERNETICS  
WERE *SOUND* ENOUGH...

... AND YET THESE  
MONKEY-BOYS' BODIES KEEP  
REJECTING MY CYBORG-  
IMPLANTS!

NONE OF THEM  
WAS *STRONG* ENOUGH  
TO ADAPT...

...NONE BUT YOU, THAT IS,  
YOUNG KEN KHAN-- MOBILUS'S  
FIRST CYBORG!

HERE I WANTED AN ARMY  
OF CYBER-SOLDIERS, AND INSTEAD  
I GET ONE CHIMP WITH A BIG  
STICK! I'LL BE THE LAUGHING  
STOCK OF MOBOTROPOLIS IF  
THIS EVER LEAKED OUT!

STILL, IT'S PROBABLY BEST TO  
GIVE YOU A ROAD TEST BEFORE  
I GIVE UP ON THIS IDEA.

I WONDER WHAT  
SORT OF *MILEAGE*  
YOU GET...?

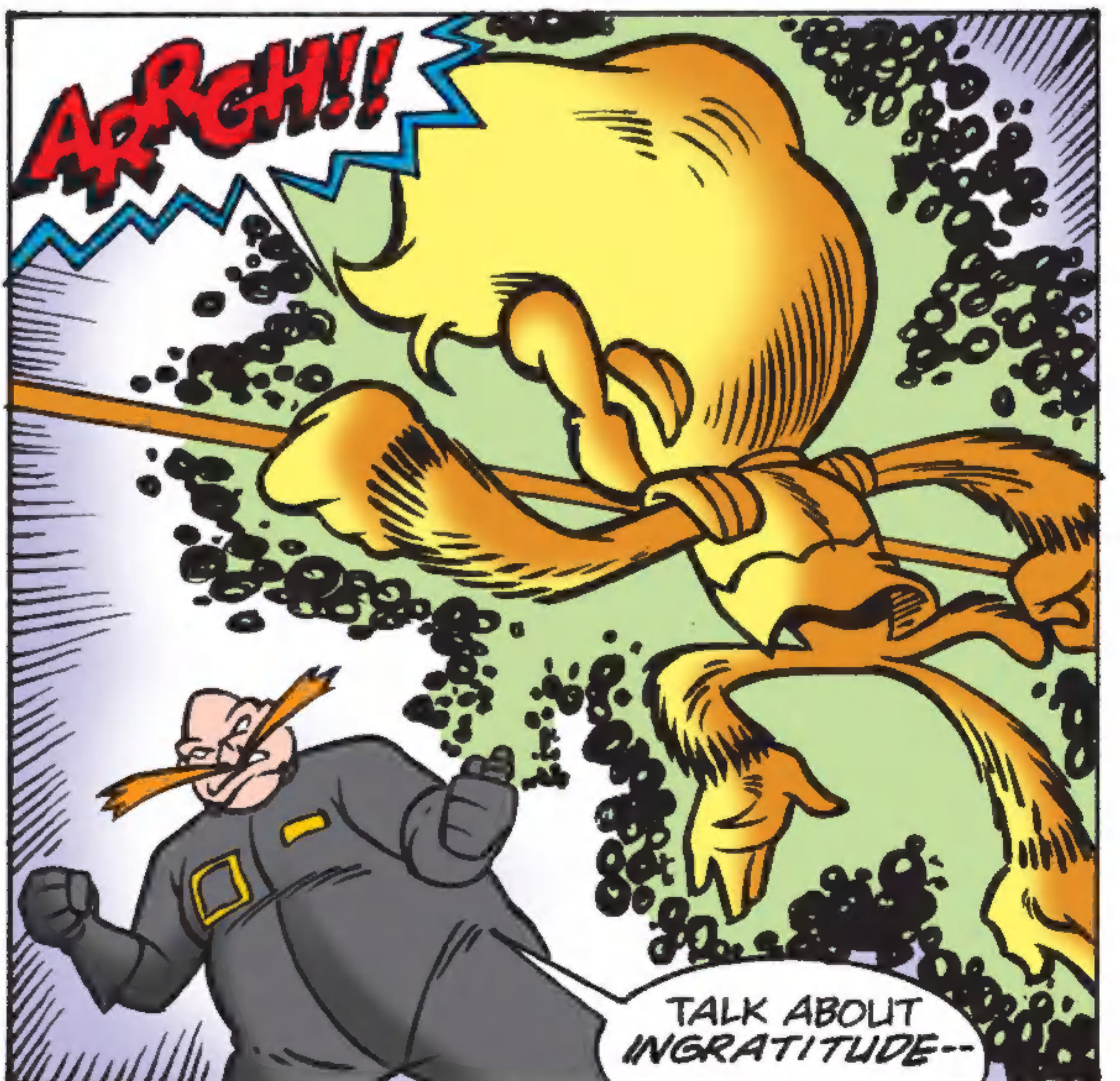
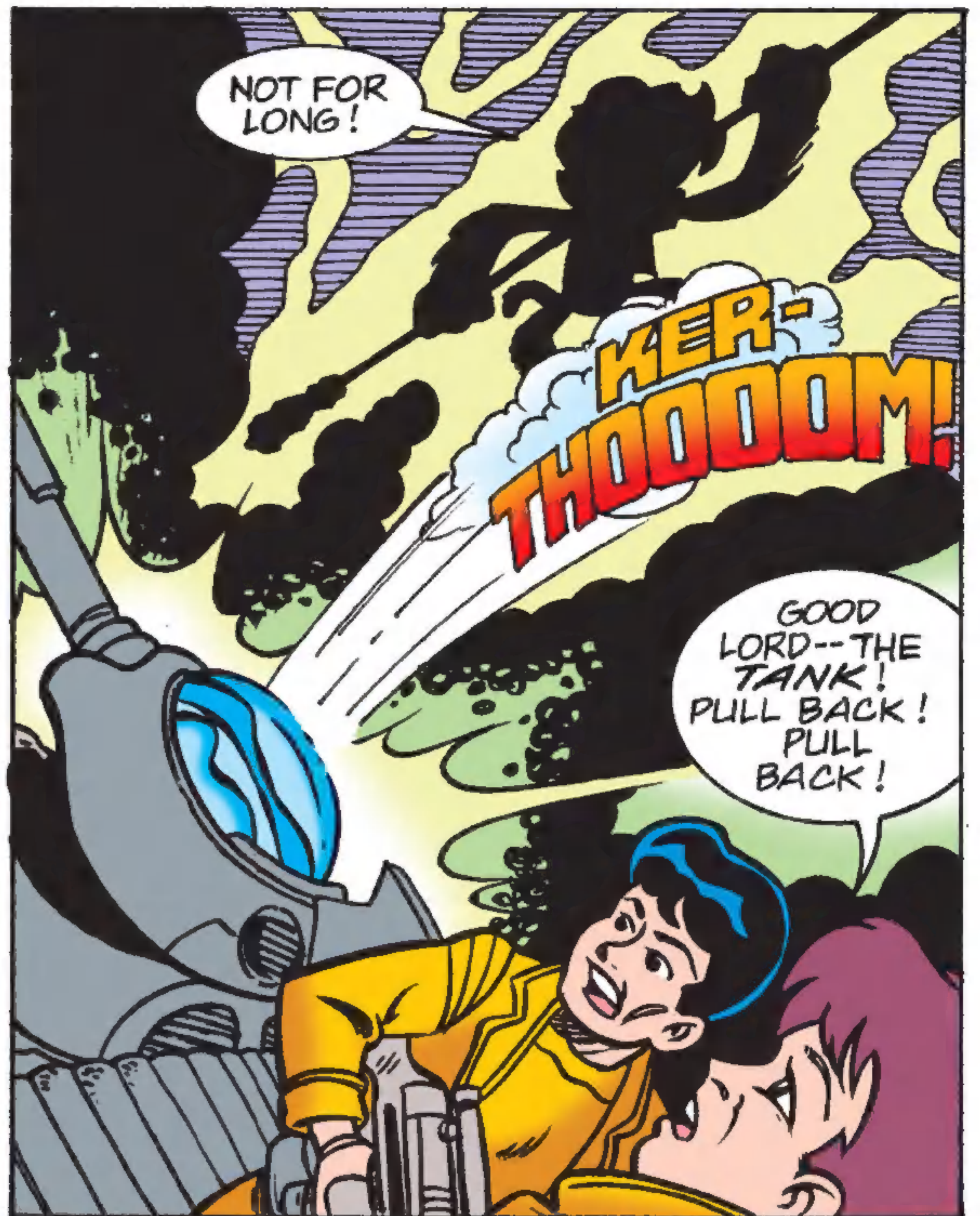
PERIMETER SECURITY  
CHECKS OUT, SARGE--  
NOTHING OUT OF THE  
ORDINARY.

NO SURPRISE  
THERE, BRIGGS,  
THOSE MANGY  
ANIMALS AREN'T  
*STUPID* ENOUGH  
TO...

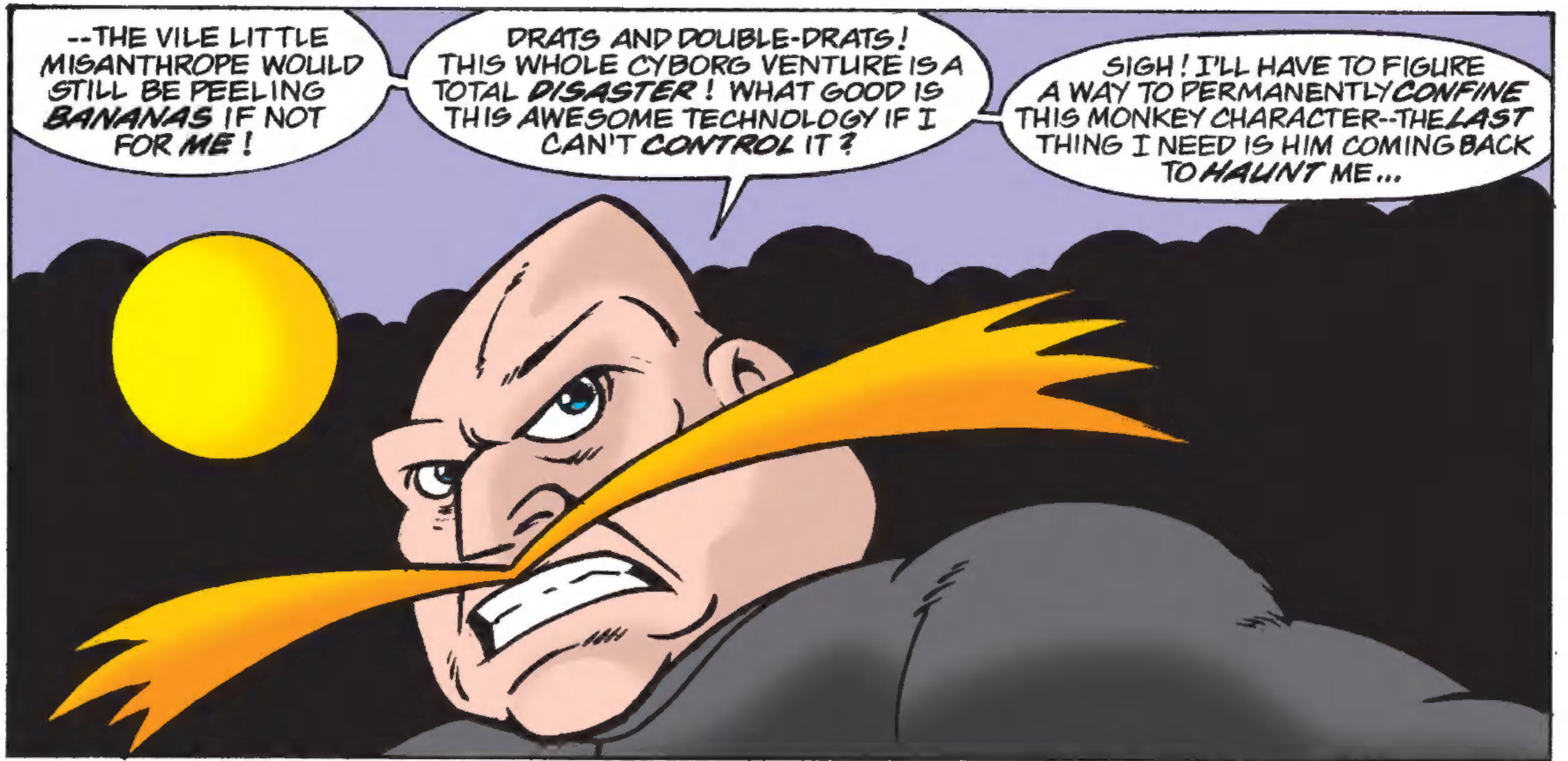
HEADS UP,  
TROOPS! WE'VE GOT  
A BOGEY COMIN'  
IN FAST!

WHAT--  
ONLY ONE?  
THAT'S  
NUTS!









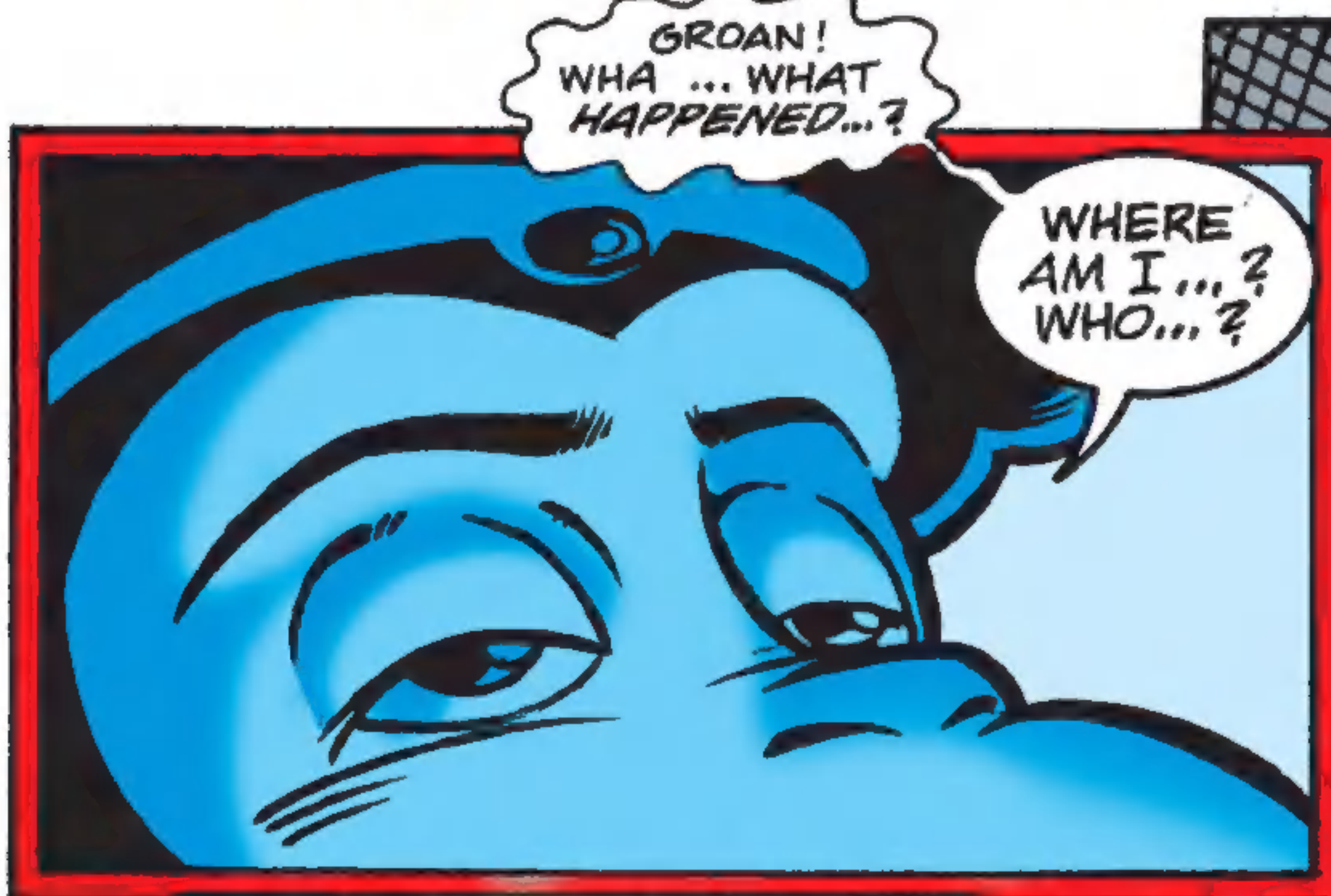
--THE VILE LITTLE MISANTHROPE WOULD STILL BE PEELING BANANAS IF NOT FOR ME!

DRATS AND DOUBLE-DRATS! THIS WHOLE CYBORG VENTURE IS A TOTAL *DISASTER*! WHAT GOOD IS THIS AWESOME TECHNOLOGY IF I CAN'T CONTROL IT?

SIGH! I'LL HAVE TO FIGURE A WAY TO PERMANENTLY *CONFINE* THIS MONKEY CHARACTER--THE *LAST* THING I NEED IS HIM COMING BACK TO *HAUNT* ME...

AS THE STORY GOES, ROBOTNIK DID MANAGE TO CONFINED HIS CREATION, THOUGH NOT PERMANENTLY. MANY YEARS LATER, MONKEY KHAN WAS SET FREE<sup>1</sup> AND HE RETURNED TO HIS ANCESTRAL HOMETOWN, KAR LEUNG...

...WHERE HIS RESTLESS SOUL FOUND PEACE. AT LEAST UNTIL NOW...

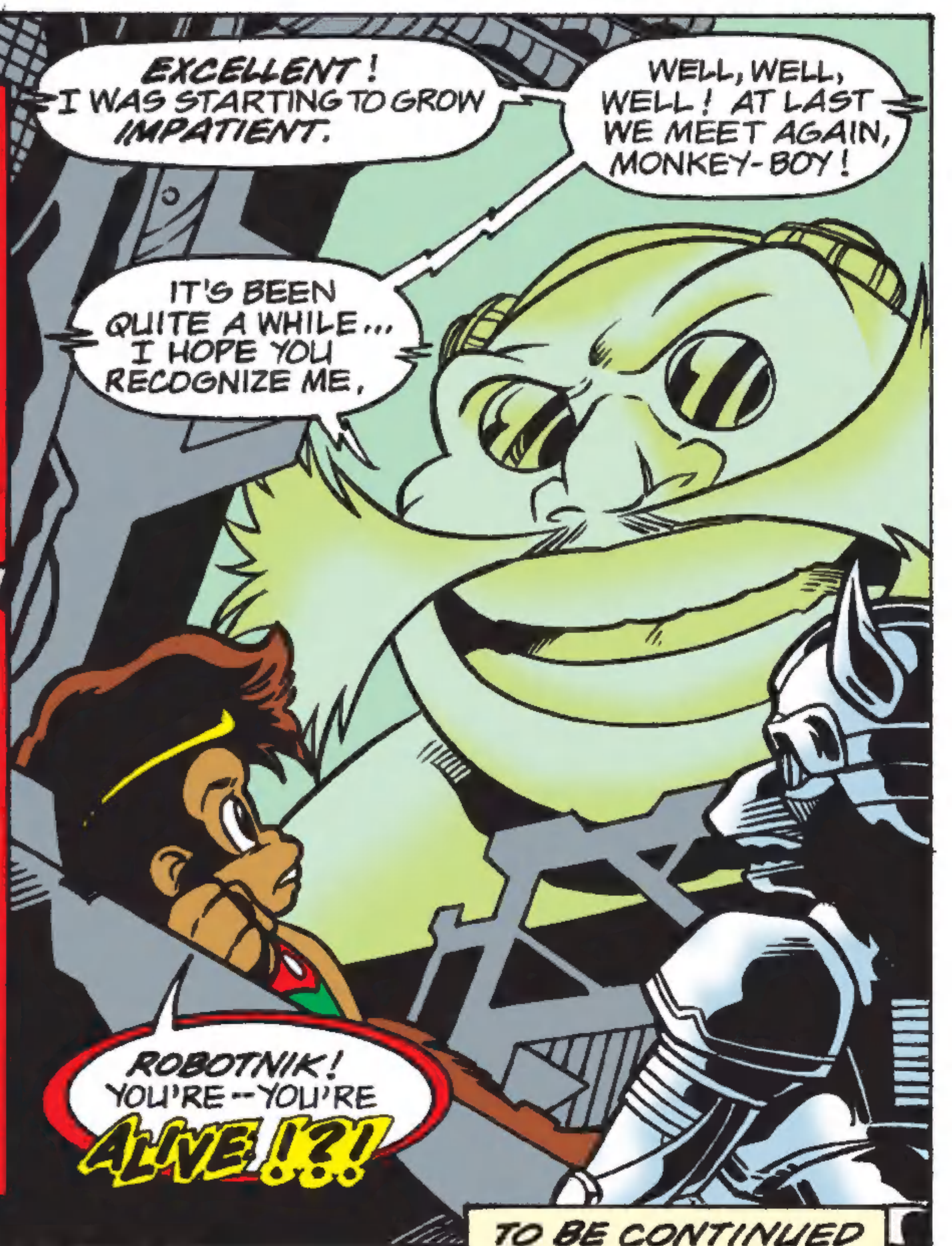


GROAN! WHA ... WHAT HAPPENED...?

WHERE AM I ... ? WHO ... ?



The drug has worn off, my lord-- your "pet" awakens!



EXCELLENT! I WAS STARTING TO GROW IMPATIENT.

WELL, WELL, WELL! AT LAST WE MEET AGAIN, MONKEY-BOY!

IT'S BEEN QUITE A WHILE... I HOPE YOU RECOGNIZE ME,

ROBOTNIK! YOU'RE --YOU'RE **ALIVE!?**

TO BE CONTINUED